

Knesset defeats motions against Eilon Moreh in rowdy session

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN Post Knesset Reporter. In one of the rowdiest Knesset sessions in memory, the House yesterday defeated motions for the agenda criticizing the establishment last week of the settlement of Eilon Moreh, near Nahal...

when Sharon explained that he wanted to distinguish "between the non-Zionist motions and the Zionist motions" their annoyance gave way to cooperation. And they did not hesitate to express it.

Sharon retract his remark about Halaby, Sharon unleashed another wave of heckling by saying, "neither you nor the Knesset will ever get me to retract words of truth."



Buyers and browsers flock to inspect the offerings of Israel's publishing industry at the opening of Hebrew Book Week in Jerusalem's Liberty Bell Garden last night.

Decision expected in a few days Israel ponders early Suez Gulf withdrawal

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter. EL-ARISH — Israel will announce in a few days whether it will leave part of the Gulf of Suez area before the July 26 deadline set in the peace agreement.

the Egyptian delegation Gen. Saif E-Din Abu Sinaf told reporters. Abu Sinaf said that he had received detailed reports on the estimated locations of the soldier's remains, but the problems are very complex and further discussions are needed.

Convicted MK resigns from Knesset Rechtman may face more charges

YORAM BAR Jerusalem Post Reporter. TEL-AVIV. — The central district attorney's office will decide within a few days whether to present additional charges against MK Shmuel Rechtman, who was sentenced to three and a half years in prison for accepting a bribe from contractor Aharon Gabor, a reliable source in the office told The Jerusalem Post yesterday.

problems because, according to sources, police have given the district attorney's office six files concerning him. "But the files have not been handled yet because of Rechtman's trial, which lasted over a year," the source said.

irregular ways, which made it obvious that he was under the pressure of the contractor. A source in the fraud department yesterday said that his department was disappointed with the district attorney's handling of the Rechtman files.

Weizman against settlement inside West Bank Arab towns

By ASHER WALLFISH Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter. Defense Minister Ezer Weizman said yesterday that he did not approve of the latest Gush Emunim demand for Jewish settlement in the heart of Arab towns in Judea and Samaria.

Eilon Moreh went to Neot Sinai to resist the IDF and spat in Weizman's face when he went there to reason with the settlers. Weizman was referring to an incident this month in which an Arab threw a stone at him by a Jew, or to hear a Jew calling Premier Menachem Begin "traitor."

'Final assault' looms against Somoza

MANAGUA. — An all-out guerrilla thrust against the Nicaraguan capital aimed at forcing President Anastasio Somoza to resign seemed imminent yesterday as large concentrations of government troops were drafted to the area.

seems to have contained them in the outlying shuns. Somoza yesterday asked the U.S. government to use its influence to stop the escalating guerrilla offensive that threatens to topple his regime.

Soviet dissidents seek Kremlin SALT gesture

MOSCOW. — Yelena Bomer, wife of Soviet human-rights campaigner Andrei Sakharov, and six other Soviet liberals said yesterday that the Soviet Union should release imprisoned dissidents before the U.S. signs the SALT-II treaty.

Begin briefs U.S. Jews on autonomy

By JUDY SIEGEL Jerusalem Post Reporter. Members of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations told Prime Minister Menachem Begin yesterday that they found it difficult to explain the government's timing for the settlement in Eilon Moreh.

and declined to give details until after their second meeting with the premier at 4 p.m. today in his home. They also met yesterday with the ministers of defense, foreign affairs, agriculture and interior, opposition head Shimon Peres and Jewish Agency Executive chairman Arye Dulzin.

Autonomy team wants to limit American role

By ANAN SAFADI Post Middle East Affairs Editor. Members of Israel's ministerial negotiating team on the proposed West Bank autonomy have demanded that the U.S. delegates to the talks not raise subjects for discussion. They have also demanded that the U.S. not be a party to projected agreements.

Minister Shmuel Tamir, Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon and Minister without Portfolio Moshe Nisim. A delegation of experts of the Egyptian Foreign Ministry is to come to Israel early next week, probably Monday or Tuesday, to discuss and possibly finalize the agenda for the June 25 meeting at the Accadia Hotel in Herzliya of the joint autonomy committee.

Yadin: Ignore status of U.S. in autonomy talks

By SHALOM COHEN Jerusalem Post Correspondent. CAIRO. — Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Yadin said yesterday that Egypt and Israel should ignore the question of the U.S. delegation's status at the autonomy talks and accept or reject any U.S. proposal on its merits.

expected to visit Israel during autonomy talks there. Yadin's grueling tour in sweltering Upper Egypt got the better of him and forced him to cancel several engagements.

Vance slams Eilon Moreh as 'harmful'

WASHINGTON. — U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance warned that the construction of the latest Israeli settlement at Eilon Moreh was "particularly harmful at this time when we are embarking on this second phase of the negotiations in that area."

aid to Israel, proportionate to the sums allocated by Israel for settlement construction.



THE SETTLEMENT ISSUE. David Landau looks at the effect of Eilon Moreh on the autonomy talks, and Ian Black talks to three residents of Kiryat Arba.



WOMEN'S ROLES. Rochelle Furstenberg meets five women who have made it, and Benny Morris reports on a women's literacy project.

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HOME NEWS

W. Bank military gov't to reveal subversive activities at Bir Zeit

By IAN BLACK Jerusalem Post Reporter The West Bank military government is soon to publish details of subversive activities on the campus at Bir Zeit University, which it believes have been closed since May 3, it was announced yesterday. The IDF's coordinator of operations in the administered territories, Aluf Danny Matt, said that the military government hoped to make up for its failure to explain why the university near Ramallah was closed.



Peace Now members light a torch before the Eilon Moreh settlement near Nablus. The torch was brought to Jerusalem from the controversial settlement by Peace Now relay runners. (London, Zoom 77)

Vance rebuts Jackson attack on SALT, emigration policy

By WOLF BLITZER Jerusalem Post Correspondent WASHINGTON. — The Carter administration yesterday took the offensive in rebutting Senator Henry Jackson's latest accusation comparing current U.S. "appeasement" toward the Soviet Union to Britain's handling of Nazi Germany in the 1930s. Jackson also announced his firm rejection of the just concluded Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty with the Soviet Union and signalled his opposition to the extension of most-favoured-nation trade status and other trade benefits to the Soviet Union despite the current record rate of Jewish emigration.

Italians whip Israel cagers

Post Sports Reporter Italy beat Israel by 90-78 in the first game of the finals group in the European Basketball Championships in Turin last night. Cheered on by 5,000 fans, the Italians took command in the second period with veteran stars Meneghin, Cararo and Bertoldo by exploiting weakness in the Israeli defence. Israel started out in the first half shot shy but came back strongly after trailing 12-20 to 23-24. The Italians' one-point lead continued to 33-34, with each squad scoring alternately and rapidly. Israel briefly took the lead at 42-40 but the Italians held a 48-42 advantage at the half.

Peace Now joggers protest Eilon Moreh

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter About 100 runners yesterday participated in a relay race from Eilon Moreh to the Knesset in a further demonstration by the Peace Now movement against the new Gush Shimon settlement just south of Nablus. The runners, 11th and 12th graders from kibbutzim and from Jerusalem and Tel Aviv high schools, carried a torch which a movement spokesman said "symbolized sane Zionism."

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(Continued from page one) the Jordan Rift. But actually, he said, the Samaritan settlements of Ariel, Karnel Shomron, and Tappuah were no less important. Not everyone who professed to be an expert on Israel's security needs really was one, Sharon said. For instance, what kind of expert was the man who saw himself as the next prime minister (Shimon Peres), "who has not served a single day in the Israel Defence Force?"

Lapid regrets Sharon insult to reporter

Jerusalem Post Reporter Broadcasting Authority director-general Yosef Lapid said yesterday that he was "very, very sorry" that Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon, speaking in the Knesset, insulted a TV reporter and questioned his reliability. Lapid said that Rafiq Halaby must be given a chance to prove that his TV film was accurate. Lapid related that shortly after the broadcast of the report, Sharon called him at home, claiming that cultivated Arab land was not seized. Sharon charged that Halaby had filmed a different parcel of land and not the controversial section in Eilon Moreh.

Schechterman in lead for top Herut post

Post Political Correspondent Deputy Minister Yoram Aridor, organization chief Michael Dekel, and financial department head Bitan Levin are the favourite for the chairmanship of the augmented Herut Central Committee, due to meet in the coming week. Schechterman, who has been chairman of the party executive for the past four years, is most acceptable to all party factions for the job. The committee's first task will be to elect the 150 members of the new party executive, which will formulate Herut policy. The convention has adopted an amendment to the party constitution which automatically installs the party chairman, Prime Minister Menachem Begin, as executive chairman.

Kiryat Shmona blockaded by protesting residents

Jerusalem Post Reporter KIRYAT SHMONA. — Kiryat Shmona was cut off yesterday from the rest of the country when residents closed all roads leading to the town to protest against what they called government neglect. The protest, which began early in the morning and lasted several hours, disrupted normal life in the Upper Galilee and the Galilee panhandle. Postal delivery service was disrupted, travellers stranded, and some schools were short of teachers because they could not enter the town.

Begin parries U.S. newspaper attack

Prime Minister Menachem Begin dispatched a stinging reply this week to a "Baltimore Sun" columnist who suggested he should resign, government sources said yesterday. Begin described the prime minister of the government of Israel is not appointed by "The Baltimore Sun" and its writers. "In his article, your writer called for changes in the government of Israel, for my resignation and my replacement by one of my colleagues, Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan or Defence Minister Ezer Weizman," Begin wrote.

W. Bank civil servant leader resigns

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Yitzhak Saluki, chairman of the Judea and Samaria workers committee of the Civil Servants Union, has resigned in protest against what he claims are plans to pay civil servants twice as much as what they deserve in compensation should they have to leave the administered territories. Saluki claimed that Defence Minister Ezer Weizman's proposed compensation plan, accepted by the workers, would cost almost \$11m. per worker. The payments, Saluki claimed, had no moral justification and would pave the way to corruption.

Rosolio wants truth on Egyptian 'reprisals'

An Alignment MK tabled a question in the Knesset yesterday to the defence minister, asking him to confirm that the Egyptian authorities in El-Arish had taken reprisals against local residents suspected of collaborating with Israel during the occupation. Danny Rosolio asked Defence Minister Ezer Weizman what steps the government had taken to prevent such reprisals recurring.

Likud-NRP students win HU poll

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter The Likud and NRP-affiliated Kestel list won Tuesday's student union elections at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. With a low turnout of about 20 per cent, Kestel candidates won a big majority on the students' council over their left-wing Campus, Keshet and Ma'asa rivals, despite only a narrow edge in the popular vote. (The union's electoral system is by "constituencies" of faculties and departments, rather than proportional representation.) The Arab Students Committee, the Sheil-affiliated Keshet, and Labour-affiliated Ma'asa ran a joint list. The Haganah Faculty went to Kestel, the bulk of its votes coming from students of Jewish subjects. The archeology, French, and Russian studies and education departments went to Kestel; while Arabic and Islamic studies, philosophy, art history, history, English and African studies went to Campus.

'Shuafat stadium may be moved'

Post Knesset Reporter Agudat Yisrael leader Menachem Porush said yesterday that the planned sports stadium in Jerusalem's northern quarter of Shuafat might be transferred elsewhere as a result of the ultra-orthodox pressure. He said that after warning that Agudat Yisrael would quit the municipal coalition, it called a meeting of its central committee for next week to debate its protest against the stadium plan. But Mayor Teddy Kolek contacted him and asked him to postpone the meeting. Porush said. Porush said that Kolek was considering a plan to build the sports stadium in an area where the access roads would be remote from all orthodox neighbourhoods. Porush said he was sure the ultra-orthodox groups would not bother to demonstrate about Sabbath desecrations that did not take place under their noses.

Hadera bomb defused

A police sapper safely dismantled a bomb found in the Hadera market at 11.30 a.m. yesterday, the police spokesman said. There were no injuries or damages.

Zealots clash with firemen in big blaze

A large fire broke out yesterday evening in an apartment building next to the Shomrei Emuna yeshiva in Jerusalem's Mea Shearim quarter. No one was trapped in the building, but the entire contents of an adjacent warehouse were consumed. Religious zealots threw stones at firemen fighting the blaze. The fire brigade was at the scene almost immediately. Police closed off the area, but thousands of curious residents of the ultra-religious quarter crowded around the barriers, obstructing the fire brigade and ignoring warnings that they were in danger from a possible collapse of a storey of the building. Jerusalem fire chief Yehuda Cohen, along with policemen, tried to calm the spectators, but a number of them even tried to enter the building. One storey of the building was gutted. (Itim)

Israeli newsmen visit 'first piece of peace': El-Arish very firmly Egyptian

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter EL-ARISH. — Women in white veils yesterday squatted on the main July 23 street here selling cloth, with goats roaming nearby as life returned to normal after the celebrations marking the town's return to Egyptian sovereignty. Reporters taken on a quick bus ride saw some remnants of the 12-year Israeli rule. There were Hebrew signs marking a driving school, advertising a cold drink and Tamboour colours. Taxis bought in Tel Aviv still carried the yellow bands. Some drivers kept their brown and grey Israeli licence plates, although several cars were seen travelling with no licence plates at all. At the dusty village of Abu-Sagal a small boy dashed out of a courtyard wearing a T-shirt with a picture of singer Yizhar Cohen printed on it. But in other respects the Egyptian return was very clearly marked. Red, white and black flags abounded, even painted on a sesame seed stall. Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's pictures were seen everywhere. Sadat was portrayed as a father opening his arms to his children on a swing near the park. He was in admiral's uniform resplendent with medals at the entrance to the secret service headquarters. (The white-and-brown building had been police headquarters under Israel.) Israeli reporters who toured the town during the meeting of the joint military committee were unable to talk to residents and could not verify reports that the local authorities arrested persons suspected of having "collaborated" with the Israeli military government. An Israeli captain who served here said he sensed danger when an Egyptian security serviceman offered to take him to see whichever "old friend" the Israeli wanted to meet. The captain and 25 reporters were taken on a military bus whose door was locked from the outside. Plainclothes men and a soldier armed with a Karl Gustav sub-machinegun were inside the bus. A military police jeep with another armed soldier drove in front and a motorcycle closed the small convoy. Near the Hilton restaurant, which flew huge Egyptian and Palestinian flags, the Israelis asked the driver to slow down. But the secret serviceman conducting the tour ordered them to go. According to a rumour here the restaurant owner, who was suspected of "collaboration" with Israel, was released from prison yesterday. The only stop was on a narrow dirt road at Abu-Sagal to buy

Willy Nagel

Willy Nagel is one of the brokers of the Diamond Trading Company, and not as reported yesterday.

DRILL

A Civil Guard drill will be held in Ofakim today with the participation of the Civil Guard and police. Sirens will be sounded and the public is asked to obey orders from the authorities. In the event of an actual emergency, rising and falling sirens will be sounded.

Edith Schiffman

(née Schreiber) is no more. The funeral will leave today, Thursday, June 14, 1979, from the Sanhedriya funeral parlour, Jerusalem, at 2 p.m. A bus will be provided for mourners. The Family

TOWARDS PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST The public is invited to a SYMPOSIUM on the subject: PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST — Beginning of a New Era? with the participation of: Major General (Res.) Aharon Yariv, Tel Aviv University — CHAIRMAN Professor Harold Fish, Bar-Ilan University Professor Yehayahu Leibovitz, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Mr. Anwar Nuseiba, Advocate Professor Raouven Yaron, Israel Broadcasting Authority Mr. Heim Zadok, Advocate The symposium will take place on Thursday, June 14, 1979, at 8.30 p.m. in the Bar-Shira Auditorium at the Tel Aviv University Campus. The symposium will be conducted in English.

# Shamir's pleas for good behaviour go unheeded in raucous Knesset

By ASHER WALLFISH  
Post Knesset Reporter

Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shamir said yesterday that if the MKs wanted the laws they passed to be respected, they should also see that the Knesset itself was worthy of respect.

Raising the issue of parliamentary disorder in the House Committee, Shamir said that courteous conduct was not a matter of rules and regulations, but of patterns of civilized behaviour. He referred in detail to a recent Jerusalem Post report about crude parliamentary behaviour in the plenum.

A few hours after the committee met, the atmosphere in the plenum showed no improvement with regard to MKs in general, and to Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon in particular.

After the raucous debate on Eilon Moreh, Alignment chairman Moshe Shabshal asked Shamir to summon Sharon to the House Committee and justify his use of the terms "anti-Zionist" and "fifth column," and his having addressed Druze MK Zaidan Atshi (Shal) as "you and your ilk." Atshi complained that Sharon several times made "indecent Oriental gestures" at him, and Shabshal confirmed Atshi's complaints.

Shamir also said during the House Committee meeting that he has been flooded with letters and phone calls from the public about the vulgarity of the House, and has been stopped in the street by worried citizens. While abroad, Jews have expressed their modesty to him about MKs' conduct, Shamir said.

He quoted from a number of typical written complaints he received:

"I am appalled at a situation in which men who are supposed to lead the country are totally ignorant of the basics of politeness and good conduct."

"The Knesset acts like a zoo and when I see it on TV I want to throw up."

"Are these MKs the people's elect — or a band of watermelon vendors in the market?"

Shamir said that even schoolchildren had written, pleading that he keep proper order in sessions.

Knesset members could not carry on walking in and out of the chamber, or around it, during sessions, gossiping or reading newspapers or turning their backs on the Speaker and the MK at the rostrum, he said. They could not dress in a manner disrespectful to their fellow-parliamentarians, he said.

Shamir said he could not serve as the policeman of the Knesset and he could not maintain his dignity by constantly reprimanding the delegates. The House Committee and the heads of the factions must take appropriate action, he said.

Concerning interruptions from the floor, Shamir said that they far exceeded legitimate expressions of differences of opinion, and were not to be found in any other parliament. The interruptions had degenerated to shouts and noise, so that the debates had lost their point.

Shamir demanded that the Speaker at any particular session be given more power to call unruly MKs to order, and that a simpler procedure be laid down for expelling MKs from sessions.

House Committee chairman Yitzhak Ben-Zur also presented proposals to curb interruptions and improve behaviour. He said that a survey of 20 parliaments showed the Knesset to be the most unruly of all.

"Many citizens regard the Knesset as the symbol of the negative in Israeli society and it can no longer ignore that fact," Ben-Zur said. "If we don't act, we shall become the grave-diggers of the parliamentary system." (See leader, back page.)

Political roles of civil servants being questioned

By ASHER WALLFISH  
Post Knesset Reporter

The active role played by certain senior civil servants in the recent Herut party convention has sparked a series of questions about the propriety and legality of civil servants being active in political life.

Ora Namir (Alignment-Labour), chairman of the Knesset Education Committee, has tabled a question to Education Minister Hammer, asking him to confirm that the presence of Prof. Yehuda Yaron, chairman of the Broadcasting Authority, as a convention delegate violated the Broadcasting Authority Law.

Earlier in the week, Haim Bar-Lev (Alignment-Labour) tabled a question to Premier Begin asking him the same about the presence of Arys Naor, the cabinet secretary, at the convention. Bar-Lev noted that Naor was not only a delegate but also was active in the resolutions committee.

On Tuesday, in the Education Committee, Prof. Yaron was asked to explain the propriety of his spokesman, Moshe Amtrav, serving as a delegate at the Herut convention.

Land bought in E. Jlem, W. Bank for Saudis, Libyans

Post Knesset Reporter

Local Arabs have been purchasing land, houses and flats in East Jerusalem, Ramallah, Nablus, and their environs on behalf of Saudi Arabian and Libyan elements and registering the purchase with the Land Registry Office.

This was confirmed in the Knesset yesterday by Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir, when he replied to a parliamentary question by Geula Cohen (Likud).

Tamir expressed understanding for the concern expressed by Geula Cohen over this phenomenon, and said that the ministry is considering the best methods of preventing "undesirable developments" in the matter.

Tamir said that the land registry office does not register transactions in which the purchaser is not a local resident, unless the transaction is between relatives. And in such a case the transaction must be approved by the ministry's director-general and the military commander.

Residents of East Jerusalem are subject to the same rules as all residents of Israel, Tamir said.

He said that the authorities who deal with land registry are not equipped to investigate the sources of the money used to purchase real estate.

MK says IDF men are bypassing Negev work ban

Post Knesset Reporter

The ban against Israeli firms working for the American contractors who are to build the Negev airfields has been circumvented by top military men, an Alignment MK charged yesterday in the Knesset.

Avraham Katz-Oi tabled a parliamentary question to Defence Minister Ezer Weizman, in which he stated that Aluf (Res.) Avraham Adan heads an Israeli construction firm, sub-contracting for a South African firm, which in turn is sub-contracting for the U.S. corporation building the airfields.

Katz-Oi said the IDF and the Defence Ministry have asked a number of colonels and lieutenant-colonels to request an early release for contracts of service to join Adan's firm.

Katz-Oi asked Weizman to name the IDF officers planning to work for Adan and questioned the legality of going through two stages of sub-contracting to detour the ban.

Zipori explains gov't steps to protect Huzander

Post Knesset Reporter

Deputy Defence Minister Mordechai Zipori said yesterday that the military administration took a number of steps aimed to protect the Imam of Gaza, Sheikh Haaham Huzander, who was assassinated on June 1.

He was replying in the Knesset to a motion for the agenda by Akiva Nof (Democratic Movement), who asserted that the government does not give physical protection to political leaders in the administered territories who advocate cooperation with Israel.

Zipori said that Huzander had been provided with a pistol and that he and his family had been given guidance by the security forces. For a long period his house had been guarded by army sentries and patrols. But Huzander had requested that the security measures be discontinued, and on the day of his murder he was not carrying his pistol, Zipori said.

The motion was referred to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

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# Begin wants Carter to ask Soviets: Is Raoul Wallenberg still alive?

By MARTIN SIEFF  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Menachem Begin has instructed Israel's ambassador to the U.S., Ephraim Eylon, to ask U.S. President Jimmy Carter to raise the question of the fate of Swedish wartime diplomat Raoul Wallenberg in his summit meeting tomorrow with Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev.

This was reported yesterday by Yad VaShem chairman MK Gideon Hausner.

Begin has also agreed to sit on an Israeli committee to investigate the fate of Wallenberg and the prime minister, according to Hausner, "warmly cherishes the memory of this hero of humanity."

Wallenberg's sister, Nina Lagergren, and brother, Guy Von Dardel, appeared with Hausner at a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday to announce Begin's decision to personally intervene in the case and to join the newly formed Israeli committee.

Wallenberg, one of the first to be given the title of "Righteous Gentile" by Yad VaShem in 1960, was personally instrumental in saving between 25,000 and 60,000 Jewish lives in Hungary in the closing stages of World War II.

Sent to Budapest by the World Jewish Congress and the U.S. government's War Refugee Board as a Swedish diplomat, with the knowledge of the Swedish Foreign Ministry, he threw diplomatic protection to the winds and risked his life in a Soviet insane asylum as late as 1975.

U.S. columnist Jack Anderson recently reported in "The Washington Post" that a former Soviet Jewish prisoner, Jan Kaplan, who has since been rearrested by the Russian authorities, knew of a Swedish prisoner in the Butyrka prison as late as 1975 who had been in the prison system for 30 years.



Raoul Wallenberg

Kaplan told his daughter, Anna Bihlar of Tel Aviv, of this by telephone before he was rearrested. The Swedish government is aware of no other Swedish nationals held by the Soviets during this period.

The Swedish government took the testimony seriously and sent a note to Moscow on January 8, 1978, asking for further information. In its reply, the Soviet government said that the new information could not be obtained.

Kaplan's report is the latest on Wallenberg. The Swedish ambassador to Israel, Fritz Iwp Dolling, had no comment to make yesterday at the press conference on whether the Swedish government was making any efforts to substantiate Kaplan's statement. Dardel, a Swedish physicist, said that he and his sister were turning to the international forum, particularly Israel and the U.S., as being more effective than the Swedish government in putting pressure on the Soviets. They hope to see local committees formed in different countries.

A parliamentary committee is now active in Britain, under MPs Greville Janner and Winston Churchill, Jr.

In 1978, the U.S. State Department recommended raising the question of Wallenberg in Moscow, but then Secretary of State Henry Kissinger refused to take any action, apparently out of dissatisfaction with Sweden's stand on the Vietnam War.

Wallenberg's mother and step-father died four months ago, convinced that he was still alive. This was also the opinion of Alexander Solzhenitsyn when the family approached him in 1970. Solzhenitsyn then advised the family to turn to international opinion and international Jewry for help.

If Wallenberg is still alive he would be 67, having lived half his life behind Soviet barbed wire.

Knesset refuses to lift Jlem building ban

Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset yesterday defeated a motion for the agenda by Uri Baran (Alignment) calling for the exclusion of Jerusalem from the terms of the government freeze on construction of non-residential buildings.

Housing Minister David Levy said that unless Jerusalem were exempted from the ban, the ministry would be unable to implement its plan of beginning the construction of 4,000 housing units in Jerusalem this year.

Levy said, however, that the ban would not apply to the city's new neighbourhoods or to the Jewish Quarter.

Knesset to debate Nazi limitations law

Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset yesterday unanimously decided to debate the West German limitation law on the prosecution of Nazi crimes, and Speaker Yitzhak Shamir was requested to schedule the debate before the West German parliament, the Bundestag, votes on the question on June 20.

The matter was raised in motions for the agenda by Gideon Hausner (Independent Liberals) and Moshe Meron (Likud).

Tamir backs better pay for prosecutors

Post Economic Reporter

The state attorneys' wage demands are justified, but their method of struggle through slow-downs and working to rule is not, Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir told the Knesset Finance Committee yesterday. He warned of "inflation of the public service" unless pay is improved.

The committee was discussing the Justice Ministry's budget allocation. Tamir said the state attorneys should receive preferred occupation status. Their ranks were being thinned at a worrying rate because of their present salary conditions. He

Syria protests Golan municipal council

DAMASCUS (Reuter). — Syria yesterday accused Israel of violating the UN charter by forming a municipal council to run the Golan Heights. The Foreign Ministry said in a statement that Syria had drawn the attention of the five permanent members of the Security Council to what it called the gravity of the new measures. It said that the ministry had called in the heads of the U.S., British, Chinese, French and Soviet diplomatic missions to brief them on the Syrian position.

MEMORIAL. — A memorial to Jewish artists killed during the Holocaust has been established at Haifa University.

# Treasury official raps long school day

By BENNY MORRIS  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A senior official in the Treasury's budget department has attacked the Education Ministry's plans for a long school day in the country's elementary schools.

In a report leaked yesterday by the finance ministry, economist Yigal Shabshal places the cost of the project at another IL2.5 billion, beyond the annual education budget. The report also points out that running the schools from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (rather than until noon or 1 p.m.)

would require thousands of additional teachers.

Shabshal predicts that many teachers would abandon the development to towns to work in the cities, leaving underprivileged areas under-served.

Furthermore, "schools should not be transformed into the nation's baby-sitters," the report says, arguing that the main burden of a child's education lies at home.

An Education Ministry spokesman yesterday objected to these conclusions, saying that Education Minister Zevulun Hammer and

Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich had agreed "months ago" on the long school day programme.

The spokesman denied that the programme would cost a great deal more money. He said hundreds of millions of pounds are already being spent on after-school programmes, employing thousands of teachers.

The Education Ministry maintains that according to recent research, 86 per cent of parents favour the long school day, and that in the few schools that now have long school days, 26 per cent of the children's mothers went to work as a result.

# 'Visual aid' upsets education MKs

Post Knesset Reporter

A pornographic film shown in a Jerusalem high school this week during school hours sent a shock wave through the Knesset Education Committee yesterday.

Rabbi Menachem Hacohen (Alignment-Labour) told the committee that in the Ironi Gimsel high school in Katamon last Sunday, 12th-grade pupils brought a projector and blue movies along to an 11th-grade class.

This was part of the annual "12th-graders day" traditional at this and most other high schools, in which the graduating class runs the school for a whole day without teachers being present. The class treated to the por-

nographic programme was composed only of girls.

Rabbi Hacohen said the movies depicted sexual acts and deeply shocked most of the class.

He demanded that the education minister probe the affair and explain to the committee how it could have happened. Rabbi Hacohen also wanted to know whether the ministry would permit the tradition of "12th-graders day" to continue in this manner without supervision.

NEW CENTRE. — The Urim military school in Kiryat Tivon has moved into new quarters, recently completed at an investment of IL6m.

Deadline extended for Ted Lurie Prize

The Ted Lurie Prize Committee yesterday announced an extension of the date for submission of articles to be considered for this year's prize.

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# Zimbabwe hails Senate call to end sanctions

SALISBURY. — The new Zimbabwe-Rhodesia government, led by Bishop Abel Muzorewa, had a mixed reaction yesterday to Tuesday night's U.S. Senate vote calling on the Carter administration to lift the trade sanctions imposed on Rhodesia during the years of rebel rule by the white minority government led by Ian Smith.

The Muzorewa government, though pleased with the outcome of the Senate vote, accused the U.S. administration of practising a "bankrupt policy" towards Zimbabwe-Rhodesia, because of the likelihood that President Jimmy Carter will use the presidential veto to kill congressional attempts to end the sanctions.

Carter administration officials were also pleased with the Senate vote, though for very different reasons. The 52-41 margin in favour of lifting the restrictions was much closer than they had expected, after a similar move contained in a non-binding resolution four weeks ago had passed by 75-19. The officials said the 41 votes that followed the administration line gave Carter a firm base to exercise his veto if need be.

House of Representatives Speaker Thomas "Tip" O'Neill said yesterday that he thought the House would follow the Senate's lead in voting to lift the sanctions. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance spent several hours on Tuesday telling members of both houses that lifting sanctions now would be disastrous for American interests among the nations of black Africa, who do not recognize the Zimbabwe-Rhodesia "internal settlement" which led to the majority rule elections that brought Muzorewa to power.

Carter himself said last week that he would retain the trade restrictions as a way of pressuring the new Zimbabwe-Rhodesia government to progress towards "more genuine black majority rule." Guerrilla Popular Front leaders Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe, operating from Zambia and Mozambique respectively, did not recognize the elections.

The Soviet-backed guerrilla leaders have pledged to intensify the civil war.

A Zimbabwe-Rhodesia foreign ministry spokesman disclosed yesterday that the new government had sent two members of Muzorewa's ruling United African National Council, Dr. James Kamukikiri and Jonathan Masovwe, to the U.S. to lobby for support and to arrange Muzorewa's projected trip there, scheduled for next month. Muzorewa was invited by Senator Jesse Helms (Democrat, North Carolina). Vance has said he would be "delighted" to see Muzorewa if he comes to Washington.

Muzorewa himself said in an interview yesterday that if Britain and the U.S. recognized his government and abolished sanctions, "the fence-sitters among the terrorists would get off the fence and take advantage of our amnesty offer. This...would lead to a dramatic de-escalation in the fighting." (AP, Reuter, UPI)



Tired after their journey across the world, Vietnamese families file to their quarters after arriving on Tuesday at their temporary home, a converted Royal Air Force camp at Sopley, England. They are among 77 Vietnamese refugees flown to Britain from Hongkong, the first party of boat people rescued by the British. (AP radiophoto)

# If Kennedy runs, Carter says he'll 'whip his...'

WASHINGTON (AP). — If Sen. Edward Kennedy makes a run for the 1980 Democratic presidential nomination, President Jimmy Carter is quoted as saying he will "whip his ass."

Two congressmen who attended a White House dinner earlier this week said on Tuesday night that Carter made the remark after being asked about a possible challenge by Kennedy.

Representatives William Brodhead and Thomas Downey said that they both heard Carter's response.

They said that the president repeated the remark after being asked to do so.

Some 60 House members attended the dinner on Monday night. They also were given a briefing on legislation now in the House to implement the controversial Panama Canal treaties.

Downey, who was sitting next to Carter at a small dinner table, said that the president was asked how he felt about the 1980 presidential race. Downey quoted him as saying: "I feel good. I'm ready."

Downey said the president then was asked about Kennedy. Brodhead said he was "shocked" by the remark.

"I thought my ears were deceiving me," he said. "(I said) exciting, Mr. President, what did you say? And Carter replied: 'If Kennedy runs, I'll whip his ass.'"

Asked what happened after that, Brodhead replied: "Nothing. I just went on with my dinner. I didn't know what to say after that. I was taken aback."

Kennedy, the object of much speculation about his presidential ambitions, has said repeatedly that he thinks Carter will be re-elected to a second term in office. Various "draft Kennedy" movements have sprung up around the country.

# U.S. asks allies to adopt common energy policies

PARIS. — The U.S. called on its leading allies yesterday to work out common energy policies and warned the oil producing nations against any sweeping price hikes that would deal damaging blows to the world economy.

The appeal was made by U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher at the start of a two-day ministerial meeting of the 24-nation Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

Warning that the energy problem "presents perhaps the greatest challenge" to efforts to achieve a healthy economic growth, Christopher said the challenge can be met only if all member countries act together.

"No one country can solve its energy problem alone. We must find a common solution to our common problem," he said. "The United States believes that concerted action is necessary in both the short and longer run in order to close the gap between oil demand and supply and relieve the upward pressure on prices."

Christopher said western nations may soon be forced to further reduce their oil imports beyond their pledge to cut such imports by 5 per cent, or two million barrels a day, in 1979. He called on the oil exporting nations who will be meeting in Geneva in two weeks to approve new price increases "to adopt responsible pricing and production policies that will avoid serious damage to the world economy — an economy in which both oil exporting and importing nations have an important stake."

Christopher also called on major industrial nations to join forces in the fight against drug abuse by discouraging production in poor countries. He said misuse of such drugs as heroin and cocaine was a new area of concern for the 24-nation OECD.

The direct economic cost of illicit narcotics transactions in the U.S. alone was \$40b. annually plus about \$10.2b. in social and health costs, he said.

Christopher said OECD assistance programmes should help farmers in developing countries engaged in raising narcotics-related crops to earn money in other ways. (UPI, Reuter)

# Soviets won't release hijack prisoner

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet prosecutors board told Andrei Sakharov yesterday it won't free a Soviet Jew imprisoned for hijacking because he violated his sentence and is not rehabilitated.

The board's decision was contained in a letter that dissident leader Sakharov received in answer to an appeal he sent to Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev asking him to pardon the last three prisoners from the 1970 hijacking attempt.

"The letter only talked about the fate of Josef Mandelovich and ignored the cases of Yuri Fyodorov and Alexei Murzhenko," Sakharov said in a telephone call to Western correspondents here.

"With reference to your letter, we inform you that there are no grounds for raising the question of releasing Mandelovich because he has recently systematically violated the rules of serving his sentence and has not yet undertaken the work on rehabilitation," the prosecutors' board told Sakharov. It was signed by an official called "Prokhorov."

A total of 26 persons were convicted in four trials stemming from a plot to hijack a plane to escape the Soviet Union for Israel. None of the convicted plotters ever succeeded in actually boarding the plane and all except Mandelovich, Fyodorov and Murzhenko have been freed and allowed to go to the West.

Mandelovich, the only Jew of the three, is said to be seriously ill and has three years left to serve on his sentence.

# Iran clamps night curfew on roads into Arab area

TEHRAN. — Iranian authorities yesterday clamped a dusk-to-dawn curfew beginning tomorrow on roads connecting Iraq with southwest Iran's oil-rich ethnic Arab province, where guerrillas clashed with government forces last month.

The measure was announced by state radio, and marked a deterioration in relations between Iran and Iraq after a series of incidents which have marred more than four years of reconciliation.

Authorities said the roads connecting the oil-rich Khuzestan province to the southern Iraq region would be closed from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Iran first charged that Iraq was smuggling arms into Khuzestan when fighting flared in the port city of Khorramshahr last month between ethnic Arabs and government forces. The charges have since been repeated every day.

The radio said authorities in Khuzestan had also decided to allow those "faithful to the Islamic revolution" to carry arms. The order would effectively declare illegal any arms in the hands of ethnic Arabs, who fought government forces last month when told to surrender their arsenals of Soviet-made weapons and guns seized from army barracks during the revolution.

Meanwhile, the press here reported that Iraqi ambassador Abdul Malek al-Yassin had apologized to Iran's Prime Minister Mehdi Bazargan for the June 4 Iraqi air attack on Kurdish villages in Iran and had told him the incident was an "error." Al-Yassin said Iraq's government was prepared to pay compensation for damage caused by the air raid.

In other developments, Iran's strongman Ayatollah Khomeini accused countries of both the western and eastern blocs of "turning people into animals and pushing civilization towards savagery."

The "Voice of the Islamic Republic" radio said the ayatollah was addressing a group of new ambassadors about to represent the revolutionary regime abroad. One of the new ambassadors is Deputy Premier Amir Entezam, who will be going to Sweden.

In Iran's continuing wave of executions, a Tehran revolutionary court yesterday executed one man on charges of homosexuality and corrupting minors, the state radio reported. And in Gorgan, northeastern Iran, a policeman was shot on charges of being "corrupt on earth."

The killings brought to 277 the number of executions since Khomeini came to power in February. (UPI, Reuter)

FLOOD. — At least 13 persons were reported dead and 4,000 others were evacuated as floods hit the east Kalimantan city of Balikpapan yesterday following several days of heavy rain in Indonesia.

# Chad fighting flares up

N'DJAMENA, Chad (AP). — Several dozen persons were killed and the presidential palace partially destroyed on Tuesday in a new flareup of fighting between the rival guerrilla factions supporting Chad's provisional government.

Provisional President Loi Mohammed Shawwa was not in the building at the time, military and diplomatic sources reported, because he had placed himself under the protection of one of the factions, the Chad National Liberation Front (FROLINAT).

The outbreak of street fighting died down at midday on Tuesday, leaving bodies scattered on the pavements and smoke billowing from the burning palace. Diplomatic sources said none of the 400 European residents in the war-ravaged city was hurt.

# Crying Cambodians sent back home

BANGKOK (Reuter). — About 4,500 Cambodian refugees, many in tears, were on their way back to a bleak and possibly dangerous life in their war-ravaged country after Thailand refused to give them sanctuary.

In scenes of anguish and despair, the people sent back were separated on Tuesday from 1,530 others who have been accepted for resettlement in the U.S., France and Australia.

Their repatriation will bring to more than 40,000 the number to be sent back since the operation began.

The sources said that Thai military authorities planned to return a further 42,000 but no date had been set.

As the buses pulled away from the camp Wednesday, the faces of many of those being taken back to Cambodia were tear-swollen, in contrast to the bright smiles of those taken to a transit centre on their way to resettlement.

Diplomatic sources said that those returning to Cambodia faced a bleak future in a country beset by critical food shortages.

They could also face attack from small bands of Khmer Rouge guerrillas believed to have retreated into the forested hills just over the Thai border. The Khmer Rouge are members of the radical government of former Cambodian premier Pol Pot, who was ousted by Vietnamese invaders last January.

BLAKE. — New York book dealers John F. Fleming Inc. paid \$70,000 (U.S. \$m.) yesterday for an 18th century book of poems and etchings by William Blake — the highest price ever paid for a single work of English literature, the London auctioneers, Christie's, reported.

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# Some threats to life: Potatoes, watercress, cars, tuna, air, rhubarb, coal, granite

## British scientist: 'Earth is a dangerous place'

LONDON (UPI). — Dr. Magnus Pyke views the efforts of American researchers to create a perfectly safe society with a measure of concern. In his opinion as one of the best known — and most entertaining — scientists in Britain, there is and can never be such a thing.

"We live on Earth not in heaven," Pyke says, "and Earth is a dangerous place. The motor-car is perfectly safe — if you put it down in concrete. The moment it moves there's an element of risk."

Pyke is tall, skinny and angular with arms that flail as he talks — an interview, in fact, involves ducking a series of rights and lefts. In action he looks like he was thought up in a cartoon story conference at the Disney studios. But his head is grey with the wisdom of many years and his opinion is eagerly sought on television as a lecturer and author.

The Americans, he said recently, seem to be suffering from a series of acute amnesias erupting in consumer protests and environment demonstrations on subjects ranging from nuclear contamination to saccharine in soft drinks. He shares very few of these forebodings. Some of them, in fact, he said, are provoked by the normal advance of science which can now refine its measurements to billionths and has discovered along the way that, for example, the delicious tuna contains some mercury as, indeed, it always has.

"If you were an unemployed Scottish labourer leaning against the post office in Aberdeen," he said, "you would be absorbing enough radiation from the granite of which it is built to give Ralph Nader a heart attack. Science you must remember is not the absolute truth — it is the minimisation of doubt. We now demand tests of food and drink so stringent that if Sir Walter Raleigh turned up today with the potato as a new and unknown food, he would never stand a chance of having it accepted."

"Potatoes contain a poisonous substance, solanine. But the wide use of potatoes and the extreme rarity of harm from their consumption shows there is little cause for alarm from the knowledge they contain a toxic substance."

"What is it," mused the former secretary of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, "that leads a community to regard the presence of some toxic chemicals with tolerant indulgence while viewing with outraged horror very much smaller concentrations of others?"

Pyke's questions are rhetorical — he has his own answers always ready. Take fresh air, he said. Does the average man really know what there is in the "fresh air" for which he is fighting — now that we can measure infinitesimal fractions? Since science got to work on it we now know it to contain, along with nitrogen and oxygen, water vapour and carbon dioxide, a whole catalogue of other material — argon, neon, xenon, krypton and helium, organic chemicals from the waxes on the leaves of jungle trees in the Amazon basin, sulphur compounds from volcanoes, radioactive entities from granite rocks.

"Carrying out our analysis for parts per million and per billion down to parts per trillion, how difficult we make it, to be sure, to define in scientific terms what fresh air is," he said. "Why is it that so many people see rather the analytical evidence brought to light by new sophisticated technology — a newly-discovered state called pollution — and not the complex subtlety of fresh air, the same air breathed by our ancestors?"

He also wondered aloud why watercress, horseradish and rhubarb, all of which can be shown to contain toxic chemicals, have been gladly accepted in western diets for generations if not centuries without citizens taking to the streets, yet nuclear energy is believed to be in-sidiously doing the average man harm although nothing obvious has actually happened.

He does not dismiss the American protests — what he urges is calmer consideration than the subject usually merits in the U.S.

"clearly, prudent surveillance is desirable," he said, "attention deserves to be paid to the estimate that about two cases of cancer a year could be due to the (nuclear) processing plant at Windscale (in Britain). But while this is no equal attention must be given to the fact that in burning coal we distribute about 100 tons of Uranium and its decay products a year into the environment. The present evidence thus implies that because of this the number of deaths from cancer would be very considerably reduced if the power stations burning coal and oil were replaced by nuclear ones, quite apart from saving the lives of the coal miners who annually contract pneumoconiosis or are killed in accidents."

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# SALT II SET FOR SHAKE-UP

By RICHARD HAASS/London



Jimmy Carter (Room 77)

AFTER SEVEN years of negotiations between Washington and Moscow, President Carter and Brezhnev are just a few days away from signing the second Strategic Arms Limitation Agreement, or Salt II. Champagne, however, would be premature. Indeed, what might prove to be the most frustrating negotiation of all is about to begin in the U.S. Senate.

To understand this it is necessary to go back to the American Constitution, that terse but all-powerful document. The president "shall have power, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, to make Treaties, provided two-thirds of the Senators present concur." Assuming all 100 senators show up on voting day, nothing less than 67 votes will be sufficient to approve the treaty.

Put another way, it will only take 34 votes to undo all that has been done. Although it appears to have been the intention of the Constitution's framers that the Senate would act as an advisory council, participating fully in the making of treaties, this quickly proved unworkable. Instead, the executive branch took on the responsibility for negotiating a treaty with a foreign government, and

then presented it to the Senate for the required two-thirds approval. This free hand to negotiate came at a high price though: no longer did the Senate feel bound to consent to what only the President had arranged.

ALL THE SAME, the Senate has rarely taken the step of actually rejecting a proposed treaty. In some cases, it simply refused to vote; after 30 years, the U.S. has yet to ratify the Genocide Convention. More common is another course, that of modifying the treaty after it has been negotiated and presented to the Senate. Unless the Salt debate gets hung up on the question of whether the U.S. can adequately monitor or verify Soviet compliance with the treaty, this is the route the debate is most likely to follow.

Modifications can be of three general types. Least controversial are the addition of "understandings" or "interpretations," which clarify parts of the treaty without altering

their legal effect. For example, it is already clear that several pro-Salt senators will offer an understanding to the effect that nothing in the protocol, that part of the treaty dealing with restrictions lasting only until the end of 1981, will be extended without formal Senate approval at that time. Moscow won't like this, but there is nothing they can do about it as it is only a move of political rather than legal significance.

Far more troubling are "reservations," which state that nothing in the treaty precludes the U.S. from taking certain steps on its own. Indeed, it was a host of reservations added to the Versailles Treaty containing the League of Nations Covenant after the First World War that so undermined the treaty that President Wilson's supporters felt obliged to vote against what they had initially desired. Half a century later, it is probable that senators will seek reservations enabling the U.S. to go ahead with certain weapons programmes. If they are successful,

it will be a Soviet decision whether or not to go along.

THE MOST SERIOUS type of change, and the one sure to provoke the anger of the Carter Administration and the wrath of Brezhnev, is the actual amending of the treaty itself. Quite likely an attempt to include the medium-range Soviet Backfire bomber in Soviet totals, or to reduce the number of "heavy" long range missiles the Soviets are presently permitted.

Equally, senators might try to exempt certain U.S. forces from constraints that have been agreed to by the Carter Administration. If any of these amendments are adopted, negotiations would have to be reopened; if the Soviets are to be believed, they would refuse to do so. Salt II could well be still-born.

Thus the path of modifying Salt II holds two major attractions to its opponents in the Senate. First, they require only a simple, rather than a two-thirds majority, to be adopted. Second, it is both politically and psy-

chologically easier to vote to "improve" Salt by favouring changes than it is to be seen as being against Salt. Indeed, if efforts to amend Salt are successful, it is not too difficult to imagine many of its original critics voting for the final version and its original advocates voting against.

The challenge facing the Carter team after the Vienna summit is thus how to prevent the destruction of Salt through piecemeal changes. Some votes will have to be purchased with promises of new weapon systems or finance for various projects in the home states of recalcitrant senators. Some minor changes in the treaty will have to be permitted so that the Senate can be seen as exerting its influence, but limited so as not to bring about Soviet rejection.

Much of 1979, if not beyond, will be taken up with this matter. If one considers the Panama Canal Treaty debate and the more recent energy votes, it is not at all clear the Carter Administration is up to the task. If not, Salt could prove to be the final undoing of Jimmy Carter's presidency. (Observer Foreign News Service)



Leonid Brezhnev (Camera Press)

## Revolutionary zealot in 'export' drive

By DAVID LAMB  
Addis Ababa



Mengistu Haile Mariam (AP)

some farm equipment in exchange for Ethiopian coffee, and in Moscow he signed a 20-year treaty of friendship and cooperation. There are no indications that he got much more.

Economists here say it would cost the Soviet Union at least \$300m. a year to subsidize Ethiopia as it does Cuba. Whether Moscow is willing to make that kind of an investment for a teardrop in the Horn of Africa is not certain, even though Moscow's influence in Ethiopia already has permeated all levels of government.

LAST FALL, for instance, Soviet advisers inserted into a Mengistu speech a stinging attack on China, diplomats said. The speech, delivered at a public rally, startled independent observers because Ethiopia and China had enjoyed cordial relations and China had sent 200 technicians to Ethiopia, working mostly in agricultural development.

China and the West, though both have severely strained relations with Ethiopia, provide about three-quarters of the \$117m. in loans listed in the current budget. The Soviet Union's main contribution has been \$1b. in military hardware provided over the past two years — an investment Moscow presumably would want to protect by organizing a long-range assistance programme for economic development.

The U.S., which was Ethiopia's closest ally until Selassie was overthrown in 1974, maintains a modest annual aid programme of \$14m., mostly in humanitarian areas. Ethiopia's failure to make good on its promise to compensate the U.S. for companies it nationalized in 1975 is holding up further economic assistance.

About 20 American companies were nationalized. They are demanding about \$20m. in compensation. (Washington Post News Service)

TO CELEBRATE Revolution Day last September, the government sponsored a photographic exhibition designed to portray the injustices and inequalities of life under the late Emperor Haile Selassie.

The exhibition consisted of two series of pictures. In the first Selassie was seen presiding over a sumptuous state banquet, surrounded by dozens of beaming and obviously affluent guests. In the second, hundreds of starving Ethiopians were shown begging for food in the drought-stricken provinces.

On the day the exhibition opened, Ethiopia's strongman Lt. Col. Mengistu Haile Mariam, ousted of the imperial chinsaware and entertained Cuban leader Fidel Castro and 1,000 others at a lavish dinner in the former emperor's palace. At that moment, with the country again in the grip of famine, Ethiopians again were starving and dying in distant provinces.

The irony may have been lost on Mengistu, who as a young soldier served Selassie on the palace staff as a baggage handler and logistics coordinator. But for some of those at the banquet, it underscored the impression that Mengistu is no longer the retiring, behind-the-scenes manipulator who once shared power and was content to work in anonymity.

TODAY Mengistu drives to rallies in a scarlet Ford convertible, waving to the peasants as he passes by. He reviews troops sitting on a throne that once belonged to Selassie. His every utterance is quoted in the government newspaper. And his portrait now hangs in public buildings in places once reserved for the emperor's picture.

But despite the emergence of what some call a personality cult, the 41-year-old Mengistu remains a

revolutionary zealot of modest means who, it is said, envies himself as one day becoming the Castro of Africa, exporting his influence and soldiers in the name of radical causes.

"We have a unique role to fulfill in Africa as a truly revolutionary country," he has said.

As a step toward fulfilling that role, he and his Cuban advisers are training anti-government guerrillas from Rhodesia and Namibia, and Mengistu has said he wants to turn out 5,000 a year, a quota he has not come close to meeting.

Mengistu has more problems than he can handle with his own Marxist revolution. Last November and December he toured Eastern Europe looking for \$300m. in assistance. From East Germany he received

IN FRONT of the Bernini fountains in Rome's Piazza Navona, young members of the Radical Party celebrate their electoral success with pop music on electric guitars. This small, anti-establishment party robbed the Communists of nearly a million votes in Italy's general election last month and is hoping its 13 seats in parliament will give it the power to affect the formation of a future government.

The election has left the ruling Christian Democrats, who lost one seat in the Chamber of Deputies but gained three in the Senate, facing some hard bargaining to form a government that can command a majority. The Communists who lost 26 seats in the lower house and seven in the Senate, are in no condition to offer an alternative.

The key to the Italian political labyrinth is now held by the Socialists, despite their disappointing results. (They gained five Senate seats and three in the Chamber of Deputies.)

In the previous parliament there was a theoretical possibility of a coalition of the left — Socialists and Communists — as has happened in many regional and city governments. The Communist decline means this is no longer possible.

But there never has been any serious chance of excluding the

## Socialists hold key to power

By PAOLO DELLATORE/Rome

Christian Democrats from the government. The Communists, in pursuit of the "compromesso storico" (the historic alliance with the Catholics) or in advocating a government of national unity, have made the creation of a left-wing popular front impossible.

And the Berlinguer-Andreotti axis (the agreement between Communist leader Enrico Berlinguer and the Christian Democrat Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti) has dominated Italian politics in the last couple of years.

THE COMMUNIST set-back is due mainly to the resentment of the party rank and file against Berlinguer's support for the Christian Democrat government, and it will not be easy for the leaders to recreate the alliance.

At the beginning of spring,

Berlinguer was forced to withdraw support from Andreotti's government and demand cabinet posts for members of his party, with the predictable consequence of forcing an early election.

The disappearance of the compromesso storico is increasing the importance of the Socialists. The Christian Democrats are now launching desperate appeals to them to participate in a coalition government. But Socialist leaders learned their lesson in the 1960s, when the party was massacred as a result of the unpopularity of the centre-left government in which they participated.

This time, the Socialists are determined to dictate the conditions for an alliance. They may demand that their dynamic leader Bettino Craxi get the job of prime minister or at least that the government should be

led by a non-Christian Democrat, possibly Bruno Visentini, a respected businessman who leads the Republican Party.

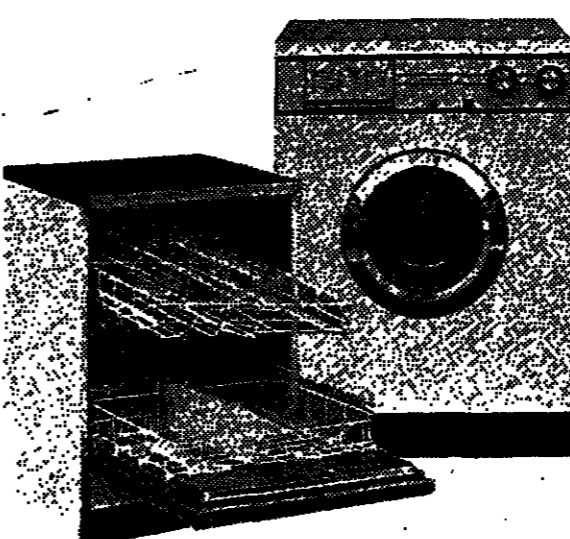
The new Socialist strength will lie in a close agreement with the small parties of the centre-left, mainly the Republicans and the Social Democrats. The Socialists may attempt to gain the support of the centre-right liberals as well, but they will find no friends among the triumphant Radicals.

The Radical Party has campaigned against the political establishment, denouncing corruption and demanding civil liberties and the abolition of a large number of repressive fascist laws.

Marco Pannella, leader of the Radical Party, has accused the traditional Italian politicians of practising "ammucchiate," an abusive term meaning to go one on top of the other.

The Radicals say that each time proposals are made to reduce the powers of the present Italian establishment, all the main parties, from the extreme right to the Communists, rally around the Christian Democrats to maintain the status quo.

They are now determined to defeat the new arithmetic of the Christian Democrats and the Socialists. (Observer Foreign News Service)



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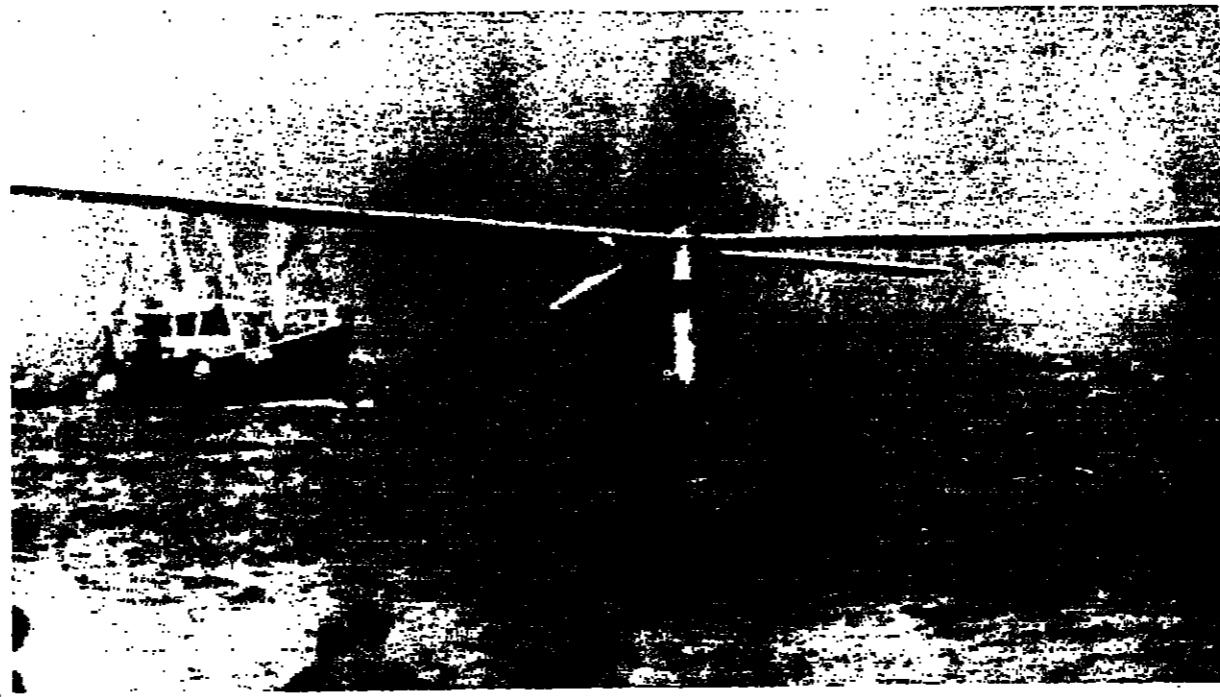
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Father-son tennis at Ramat Hasharon

By JACK LEON Post Sports Reporter RAMAT HASHARON. — Former Israel Davis Cup racquets Arieh Avidan, Gabriel Dubitzky and Oded Shai, and current cup player Shai Puni are among the 64 pairings from all over the country competing in this weekend's "father-son" tennis tournament at the tennis centre here. The meets begin at 2 p.m. tomorrow, and continue throughout Saturday, commencing at 9 a.m. The surprisingly large entry also includes one mother, former longtime local No. 1 Tova Epstein, who is being partnered by her son Zvika, tournament organizer Eliezer Krausz said yesterday. In addition, several fathers are being allowed to play with daughters. The girls include under-18 champion Orly Bialostocki, competing with her father Zalman. Gabriel Dubitzky and his son Ori head the seedings in recognition of Gabriel having won the first — and

only — previous such event held in Israel, back in 1955. Gabriel, then aged 19, took the title in partnership with his late father Avraham, in a tournament in Tel Aviv contested by six pairings. Krausz, one of the country's leading coaches, was forced to discontinue the tournament because of lack of funds. He is now receiving assistance from Fischer Sports Equipment, of Austria, while the meet is being held under the official auspices of the Israel Tennis Association. Avidan is partnered by son Eytan, while Shai and Puni are turning out with their fathers, Ariel and Pesah. The participants range in age from 10 to 85, Krausz said. Other prominent father-and-son teams, in what is now planned as an annual event, are Benhar, Frischer, Lewin, Mansdorf, Perkin, Rachtmanov, Sinal, Solman and Stempo. The remaining seedings will be announced today.



The filmy "Gossamer Albatross," the first man-powered aircraft to cross the English Channel, flies into a beach near Calais Tuesday, after a three-hour historic flight from Dover. Flown by professional bicyclist Bryan Allen, the 25 kilo, bicycle propelled polyethylene craft was designed by California inventor Dr. Paul MacCready. The two men split a \$100,000 prize offered by the British Royal Aeronautical Society for the first such successful flight. (AP)

'Rougher than moon' landing for ballooning astronaut

BOYLESTON, Illinois (UPI). — The world's largest hot-air balloon, piloted by Apollo 14 astronaut Ed Mitchell and two other men, made an emergency landing Tuesday far short of the records it was trying to break. The damaged balloon covered only some 160 km. in about six hours. A hole in the balloon caused the crew to use its propane fuel five times faster than expected and cut short the attempts at breaking records of 850 km. and 28 hours 55

minutes for the longest balloon flights by distance and time. Robert Esch and Lenny Barad formed the crew along with Mitchell. Also on board in the 1.50 by 2.75m. gondola slung under the 45m. balloon were a reporter and a cameraman. The men suffered cuts and bruises, and two of them were treated at hospital. Asked how the forced landing compared with his landing on the moon in 1971, Mitchell said the balloon landing was "a little rougher."

S. Africa tennis ban to continue

LONDON (UPI). — The International Tennis Federation's committee of management said yesterday it will recommend that South Africa continues to be banned from international competitions such as the Davis Cup because not enough progress is being made towards multi-racial tennis. The committee, which met in Paris last week under ITF President Philippe Chatrier, studied the report of a commission that visited South Africa earlier this year. "The committee of management

of the ITF recognize that most of the restrictions which have prevented progress towards non-racial tennis in South Africa have now been lifted, but they feel that the rate of progress is still not acceptable," a statement said. "They do not believe that the South African Tennis Union should be expelled from the ITF, but they feel that in the present situation it would be wrong for South Africa to participate in the Davis Cup, the Federation Cup or any other team competition organized by the ITF or

its member nations. They will ask the annual general meeting to recommend that no competition organized by a member nation should be sanctioned if a South African team participates. The committee report said the same delegation which visited South Africa in 1978 returned "and once again they found the same frustrations among those who sought, in their different ways, the integration of sport in a society in which the laws are based on the philosophy of apartheid."

Mets set club record with 10-run inning

NEW YORK (AP). — Frank Taveras' two-run double and Doug Flynn's inside-the-park, three-run homer keyed a club-record 10-run sixth inning that enabled the New York Mets to take a 12-6 victory over the Cincinnati Reds Tuesday night. Coupled with Cincinnati's five runs in the top of the frame, the total of 15 runs came within two of the modern National League record for runs scored in a single inning by two teams. The mark of 17 was set in 1912 by the old Boston Braves and New York Giants. Before Tuesday night, the Mets had scored no more than eight runs in one inning, but they did it on several occasions, the last time against the Chicago Cubs in 1976. Taveras' double drove in the second and third runs of the Mets' big sixth, tying the game and wiping out a 5-3 Cincinnati lead. Flynn's homer soared over the head of center fielder Cesar Geronimo, bouncing off the wall, scoring Willie Montanez and Steve Henderson ahead of him. In other National League action, Mike Schmidt's two-run homer in the fifth inning, Philadelphia's first hit of the game, triggered the Phillies to a 4-0 victory over the Houston Astros behind the six-hit pitching of Nino Espinosa.

In the American League, Roy White and Mickey Rivers stroked run-scoring singles in a three-run ninth inning that gave the New York Yankees a 4-1 victory over the Minnesota Twins behind the four-hit pitching of Ron Guidry and Ron Davis. Rusty Staub knocked in three runs with a homer and a double and rookie Pat Underwood won for the second time in as many major league starts as the Detroit Tigers routed the Oakland A's 5-2. The Seattle Mariners scored three runs in the first inning and coasted to a 5-1 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays behind Glenn Abbott's six-hit pitching. Buddy Bell, who had driven in two earlier runs with a homer and single, drilled a tie-breaking bases-loaded single to cap a three-run ninth inning that rallied the Texas Rangers to a 7-6 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers. Junior Moore and Chet Lemon hit two-run singles in a seven-run second inning to lead the Chicago White Sox to a 13-4 triumph that snapped the Baltimore Orioles' six-game winning streak. Al Cowens' sacrifice fly scored George Brett in the 10th inning and lifted the Kansas City Royals over the Boston Red Sox 7-8. A two-out, two-run homer by Toby Harrah in the bottom of the ninth inning tied the game and Andre Thornton's two-out single drove in Bobby Bonds, giving the Cleveland Indians an 11-10 victory over the California Angels.

In late NL action on the West Coast, Dave Winfield cracked his 15th homer, a three-run shot, and Gaylord Perry gained his 27th career victory as the San Diego Padres defeated the Pittsburgh Pirates 6-3. Pitches Burt Hooton's two-out, two-run single highlighted a three-run rally by Los Angeles in the fourth inning and sent the Dodgers to a 9-3 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals. Bill North and Mike Ivie hit home runs in the first inning and the San Francisco Giants added four more extra-base hits to beat the Chicago Cubs 7-2.

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# WHO WRITES HISTORY?

By SHLOMO NAKDIMON



The Altalena burns off the Tel Aviv coast.

(Fred Cassanik)

HERE IS the story as it really happened.

When I was collecting material for my book "Altalena" I took it as a matter of course to contact Yisrael Galili, the man who had been a close aide of David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first premier and defence minister in those dark days of June 1948.

The Altalena was an IZL boat carrying arms and fighters which the Irgun began organizing some months before the establishment of the state but which set sail for Israel a few weeks after that event. Most of its arms were given to the IZL by the French government, and its passengers were Holocaust survivors. Although the ship's arrival had the Israeli government's approval, a sharp disagreement broke out between the government and the IZL command (which acted under government approval in integrating Irgun fighters into the IDF) over the arms' distribution. This escalated to bloodshed and the destruction of the vessel by shelling. The toll of life was heavy: 16 dead among the IZL men, with three IDF fatalities.

It was on May 5, 1971 that I wrote to Galili asking him "to meet me to answer questions on this subject, even if not for quotation or direct attribution." Four days later I received a reply from his secretary — Galili was then a minister-without-portfolio — to the effect that "the letter has been passed on to the minister."

On June 13, 1971 I wrote again to Galili, asking for a clearer answer. A fortnight later, his aide advised me that the minister "has no time to spare now for the subject of your book." This letter also said that in view of the minister's bitter experience with various other publications, he hoped to publish his own version of the events concerned.

In response to this, I proposed the following "deal": If the minister would grant me an interview, I would submit to him the pre-publication copy of all those parts of the manuscript referring to him. But the reply was once more in the negative.

I applied time and again to Galili — during chance encounters in the Knesset restaurant, at meetings of the Labour Party central committee and via mediators from among his closest friends — all to no avail.

I was thus obliged to make do without Galili's interview, and my book came out with the title "Altalena." (It set off sharp echoes and caused arguments and discussions; and this week its sixth edition is due out.) What I wrote apparently did not please Galili at all, for he reacted very sharply. It seems very likely that if he had consented to grant me that interview, he might well have clarified certain episodes that still beg a number of questions, for he was really deeply involved in this episode and his word was almost law. But he preferred to stay silent, setting up a hue and cry only after its publication.

ONE OF THE COMPLAINTS he voiced in his interview with your political correspondent, Mark Segal, (*The Jerusalem Post*, January 20) paid me a somewhat dubious compliment: Galili accused me of making a slavish effort to rewrite the history of the War of Independence, and of representing him as the villain of the piece in the Altalena affair. In his version of events it was Yisrael Galili who was the restraining agent on the late David Ben-Gurion during that tragic incident when the latter feared that a "pushback" was being attempted. Thus, since my book does not, in Galili's opinion, give with his picture of the events, it is therefore, "a massive bid to rewrite history."

Among the charges imputed to me, Galili points to an attempt to minimize the role of the Haganah in the pre-independence struggle. Indeed? My book explicitly states that the Haganah was the largest of the organizations fighting for in-

dependence. True I also mentioned the late David Ben-Gurion's criticism of the Haganah and its preparedness for the War of Independence. For, when Ben-Gurion took over defence affairs in the Zionist Executive and proceeded to look into the Yishuv's defence prior to the State's establishment, he was indeed sharply critical of what was going on in the Haganah and held that in fact it was not ready for confrontation with the Arab countries. He had an extremely sharp exchange with the Haganah commanders and took them sternly to task. And I, for my small part, have relied on this mighty figure, for me the supreme authority on everything relating to the official leadership of the Yishuv's defence organization in those days.

This is surely the right juncture to mention that Galili and his closest associates, men such as the late Minister Avron Zilber, were then among Ben-Gurion's bitterest adversaries on these issues. This issue of the wars of the Jews in 1948 is not one that can be all that

easily set aside. The Altalena affair was not its main focus, for it was, after all, only one of a series of stormy incidents from those days. There were, for example, the removal of Yisrael Galili from his post as head of the national command of the Haganah — close to the time of the Altalena incident; the dissolution of the Palmah HQ; the reorganization of the defence establishment; the struggle over army appointments. And all were accompanied by rebellious utterances from the generals and threats of resignations from the just-formed IDF.

IN THE COURSE of these events, the following episode took place: On June 3, 1948, at the height of the War of Independence when its outcome was still unclear, the leadership of Mapam convened for a closed meeting. Under discussion was no less than a proposal to seek Ben-Gurion's dismissal from the Defence Ministry and to have him court-martialed. (What must be remembered here is that Mapam was then composed of Hashomer

Hatsair and Abud Ha'avoda — Galili's own party — and that was represented in the coalition government by two ministers. At that time, too, most of the senior army command were Mapam members.)

The full minutes of the above-mentioned meeting are in my possession; reading the record of such a discussion, held at the height of a battle for the fledgling Jewish state's very survival, one can only wonder what to call it: a bid to usurp the defence minister, the direct commander of the war, or merely the usually accepted parliamentary game.

In all humility, may I say that it is not I who am seeking to rewrite history. No, an effort of quite another type is being made: an attempt to damage my book by presenting it as a one-sided document, by purposely ignoring the facts I included in it.

And now for a look at some of the things mentioned by Galili in his interview with Mark Segal.

THE POSSESSION of land has been fiercely and furiously defended since time immemorial, and there is practically no country on earth that does not have a history of bloody fratricidal battles over land.

Even today when modern concepts of communal living and co-ownership could be expected to have tempered the primeval urge to fight for possession of land, there is nothing more calculated to rouse the passions of even the mildest of persons than the threat of being dispossessed of even the smallest modicum of real estate.

Nevertheless, the demands of modern living are such that private property must often be expropriated for the general good of the public in order to implement town planning schemes, or for purposes of urban clearance, or road construction, etc. In consequence, most countries have some form of law, subject to suitable safeguards, for the compulsory acquisition of private property for enterprises beneficial to the public. For example, in the U.S., there is the institution known as "eminent domain."

In Israel, there are several laws under which property may be expropriated, but the two most important are the Land (Acquisition for Public Purposes) Ordinance, which was enacted by the British mandatory government in 1943, and the Planning and Building Law, passed by the Knesset in 1965.

THE BRITISH Ordinance gives wide and sweeping powers to the high commissioner (now replaced by the minister of finance) to acquire ownership in land, or possession or use of any land for a definite period, where "satisfied that it is necessary or expedient for any public purpose so to do."

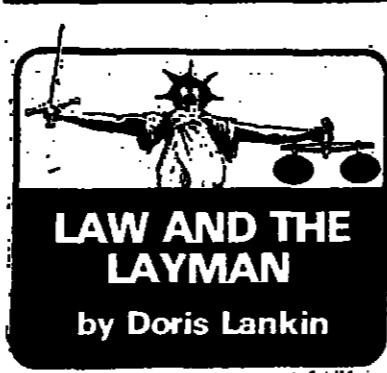
The ordinance lays down that the mere publication in the Gazette (now

*Eshkol*) of a notice to the effect that land is about to be acquired for a public purpose constitutes conclusive evidence that the purpose for which the land is to be acquired is, in fact, a public purpose; it thus effectively prevents anyone from challenging the public nature of the purpose for which the land is intended. Furthermore, it even precludes the intervention of the High Court, as long as the minister of finance exercises his discretion in a non-arbitrary manner.

If this appears to be a draconian provision of law, one could "no better than to seek the reason for it in the explanatory note contained in a memorandum to the ordinance. In justifying the need to prevent any possible challenge of the high commissioner's decision to expropriate land for a public purpose, the note points out that before this provision of the ordinance was enacted, any interested person could at any time challenge an acquisition in the courts on the grounds that the purpose of the acquisition was not of a public nature.

"It would clearly not be in the public interest to allow this state of affairs to continue," states the note. "Land acquisition may involve very expensive preliminary investigations and costly works or buildings may be carried out or constructed on land acquired. Before public moneys are expended in this way, it is necessary that the government, or other acquiring authority, should be able to know with certainty that the acquisition is not susceptible to challenge."

HOWEVER, PAINFUL it may be to have one's land expropriated, there is some cold comfort in the knowledge that expropriation does not mean confiscation. In other words, the dispossessed land owner will either be given alternative land, depending on the circumstances, or will be paid compensation. The latter is to be fixed either by agreement between the parties or, in the absence of any such agreement, by the courts.



by Doris Lankin

It is true that in the past the compensation often fell short of the real value of the land, due mainly to it being based on assessment made at the time the land was expropriated, whereas several years would have elapsed before the court proceedings were completed, and inflation and devaluation would have taken their toll. In 1976, however, the courts went to the coast of living in the award, in addition, interest from the day on which the land was expropriated, which has improved the lot of the dispossessed owner.

The compensation is paid to the registered owner of the land or, if the land is not registered, to the person in possession thereof. However, if the government claims that the unregistered land belongs to the state, then the onus of proof that the land is held in private ownership or in lawful possession falls on the person making such a claim.

LAND MAY ALSO be expropriated, under the Planning and Building Law of 1965, by a local town planning commission, if in the opinion of the district town planning commission the expropriation is necessary in the interests of a public purpose. Compensation will also be paid for such expropriation.

But under both the Land (Acquisition for Public Purposes) Ordinance

and the Planning and Building Law, up to 40 per cent of a privately owned plot of land may be expropriated without any compensation whatever, if it is required for widening or building a road, or for parks and recreation areas, or for buildings serving educational, cultural, religious and health purposes. However, either the minister of finance or the minister of the interior (depending under which of the above two laws the land is expropriated) has the discretion to grant such compensation as he thinks fit, if he is satisfied that undue hardship has been caused the landowner by the expropriation of up to 40 per cent of his land.

On the other hand, if the value of the remaining 60 per cent of land is enhanced by the construction or widening of a road, then the owner can be required to contribute towards the costs of the construction. Furthermore, the local authorities can demand a contribution towards the costs of making a road from the owners of property adjacent to it.

So in certain circumstances a land owner may not only lose 40 per cent of his land but, to add insult to injury, he could still be required to contribute towards the cost of building a road on his expropriated property. He may, however, be permitted to build more densely on the remaining 60 per cent of his land as some compensation for his loss.

THE TWO LAWS discussed above apply to expropriation of land within the borders of the state, and it is of interest to note that only a small part of the land expropriated since the establishment of the State of Israel belonged to the Arab population. Most expropriated land belonged to the Jewish population of Israel, a very striking example of this being Jerusalem's Ramat Eshkol neighbourhood, which was built on land expropriated from several Jewish families.

Where land beyond the green line

has been seized by the military government, this is done either by virtue of international law, which allows seizing land in occupied territories for military outposts or security settlements, or by virtue of the 1953 Jordanian law with respect to acquisition of property for public purposes, which is very similar to our own Land (Acquisition for Public Purposes) Ordinance.

Up to the present it has been the practice of the military government to expropriate only the use of such lands on a temporary basis, and not outright ownership thereof. Furthermore, although under international law, payment for the use of occupied land for military and security purposes may be postponed till the cessation of hostilities and the signing of a peace treaty, the Israeli Government has seen fit to pay immediately for the use of any land seized by the military government, at a rate fixed by special committees set up for the purpose of assessing the "compensation due" to the landowners.

The only time that ownership, instead of mere use, has been acquired by the military government is when owners of seized land have expressed a preference for compensation for the ownership of the land instead of merely for the use thereof. In the Rafiah area, for example, many of the Beduin plumped for an outright sale of their land, and not a few of them, at later transactions, made good on their choice of compensation for land that had never belonged to them.

In the case of the Beduin in the Negev, their claim to land on which they have lived and grazed their animals for many years, is based on possession, in the absence of any registered ownership. The government, on the other hand, maintains that the unregistered land is state land; according to the provisions of the ordinance the onus would thus fall on the Beduin to rebut this claim.

The government, however, has not insisted on its formal rights and has offered the Beduin generous compensation, as well as alternative land in exchange for the land required for military and other public purposes.

Even if the Beduin reject this offer, and the land has to be seized against their will by invoking the ordinance, there is no doubt that they will be compensated just as every citizen of Israel is compensated, at least financially, for being deprived of his property.

"villain", in regard to his role in the bloody confrontation of the "Altalena" affair. All I did was to describe, quite objectively, what he did and what steps he took as the liaison between the premier and defence minister and the IZL command (which was then operating with the authority of the IDF high command). In fact what Galili wants to do is to divert attention from the main issue, namely that the fate of the Altalena hinged on how matters were presented to the defence minister. The final outcome was certainly his. How did Galili manage to get the subject to Ben-Gurion? There is no mention of the subject in the defence minister's diaries. Galili's version is his and his own alone. The late Levi Eshkol, the third party (to the discussion), also left no record of the conversation. But Galili's involvement certainly did leave clear traces in other publications and among eye witnesses. It was on these that I relied when compiling my book.

THE MOST INNOVATIVE and refreshing revelation is Galili's claim to have been the restraining agent on Ben-Gurion in the Altalena affair. In other words it was the first premier and defence minister who was "the villain". Perhaps Galili is, in posterity, a favored one and enlightens us on those original ideas or orders issued by the defence minister that he, Galili, was supposed to have restrained? What, in fact, could have been worse than sinking the boat by artillery fire?

Galili chose to quote from Michael Bar-Zohar's biography "Ben-Gurion" in trying to prove that it was Ben-Gurion who ordered the use of force against the Altalena. But that is precisely what appears in my book, and by means of the original document. Does this not prove that Galili wished to demonstrate thereby that my book is one-sided

and that important information was omitted? Galili mentions that Ben-Gurion feared a "pushback" and was concerned about the international ramifications of the affair. If that was really so, then his fear was a function of the information presented to Ben-Gurion. And the fact is that his prime channel of information in this case was none other than Galili himself.

Finally, I would like to bring to Galili's attention that Ben-Gurion himself gave me some very important documents to use in my book and the defence minister was to have written an introduction alongside the one by Premier Eshkol. Apart from Ben-Gurion's material, I was fortunate to have received other material from dozens of people close to Galili or belonging to his circle in those days, men such as Shaul Avigur, Dan Even, Yigael Yadin, Meir Pa'il, Haim Ben-Menahem and others.

I HAVE PROBABLY disappointed Galili for it is not his version that I have adopted. For my part, I was open-minded as far as he was concerned. I tried to give him every opportunity to say what he had to say apart from which, he has in his possession an historically invaluable archive. But he designedly blocked every possibility of contact between us. And nevertheless, I did manage to reconstruct substantial aspects of his involvement in the Altalena affair, for after all it is on record in various documentary sources, both classified and open, which were available to me and which are fully reflected in my book.

Thus, with all due respect I suggest that in future Galili take greater care when he makes such sharp accusations as to the rewriting of history. After all if history has not turned out as he wishes, it is to blame except those who made it as it is.

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# CONFOUNDING THE CRITICS

WRITERS AND READERS/Srava Shapiro

HEBREW BOOK WEEK, which opened throughout the country yesterday, is an undeniable success, and like most success stories, it naturally comes, under attack of mounting intensity from various interested quarters.

The campaign against it is led by, of all people, the writers themselves. It's all very well for the publishers to argue, but we, the writers, get practically nothing in return for our work. Pushing the argument further, the writers say that in the publishers' endeavor to give the public a cheap book it is always authors' fees that they cut, never the cost of printing or cardboard, or the size of the bookseller's commission.

Booksellers, too, resent Book Week, griping at the publishers' entry into retail commerce even for this one week in the year. And, they charge, the public holds off its purchases weeks before the annual sale in anticipation of the bargains.

The Week does bring in cash, the publishers admit, and this is particularly important when credits are hard to come by and extremely expensive. But the publishers outlay on the Week is high — extra pay for employees, money spent on the stands, charges, if only partial, for security arrangements. Some publishers go so far as to claim the game is not worth the candle, even charging that in the long run, the Week is little more than a publicity stunt.

THERE IS MORE public money to Book Week, and no publishing generally, than meets the eye. The budget for the Week tops 15m. The government and the local authorities make special allocations for the event, and also support many projects designed to encourage creative writing and its publication. The Hebrew Book Council has spent 15m. in the last two or three years in printing work which commercial publishers have shied away from as unprofitable. The Tel Aviv Foundation for Arts and Literature and other institutions have similar aims.

Each day sees an average of 10 Hebrew books come off the presses in Israel, printed in between 12 to 13 million copies — that is, a figure in sound commercial investment. With the number of publishers now up to approximately a hundred, one wonders what subsidies they receive to help keep their accounts straight.

OFFICIAL STATISTICS indicate that two-thirds of Israel's over-30s do not read as much as one Hebrew book a year (but four out of five do read a Hebrew daily newspaper). By West European standards, this is not too bad, "culture" ministry officials observe. In this respect, Israel is only disadvantaged by the size of its population, and hence its potential readership, as compared with more populous nations on the other side of the Mediterranean.

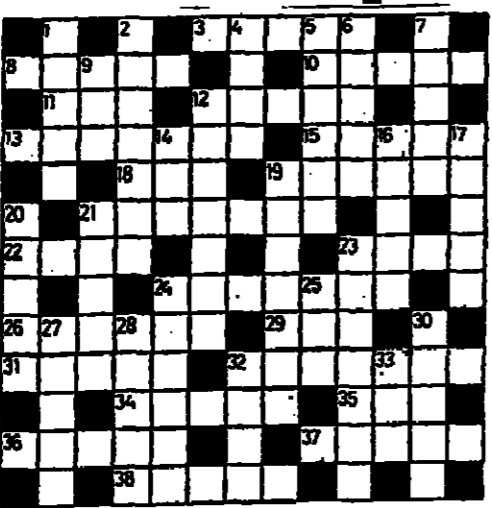
But, dare one say it, the entertainment level of Hebrew writers is also rather low compared with their European counterparts, an observation borne out by the steady drop in interest that the reading public here shows in original Hebrew writing, with translations faring far better. Subsidies will certainly not remedy this; for while inducements such as Book Week may push up sales, (one educated guess is that last year's sales may have reached 140m.) only good writing will arrest the reader's interest for more than a page.

WHATEVER CRITICISM may be levelled against Book Week, by way of justified observation or cantankerous carping, it remains a great occasion. First held as part of Israel's tenth anniversary celebrations, and built on an idea put forward by the poet Shlomo Tsa'i, it was taken up and developed by Mordechai Bernstein, the imaginative but practical president of the Publishers' Association.

Israelis flock to the stands of Book Week in vast crowds, for, as Bernstein says, "It's really a people's holiday." Contact with books is a virtue in itself, whether the books are bought or not, for love begins with contact.

# TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

- CRYPTIC CLUES ACROSS**
- Does it proclaim that Benedict shall be nameless?
  - Flower that causes father some loss of pay? (5)
  - Flirt in an earlier role? (5)
  - A large portion of steak makes a meal? (3)
  - A little bit of carrying a camera? (5)
  - Formal opening of correspondence (4)
  - A number of letters? (5)
  - Manage to compete? (3)
  - The Italian who revolutionized our art? (6)
  - The virtue of rewriting a shy note? (7)
  - Part of a ship? (4)
  - Meaningful departure? (4)
  - You can get it from Sheffield? (7)
  - Not a serious discourtesy? (6)
  - Irish initials, though quite likely a Hebrew? (3)
  - Sue's about material? (5)
  - There's about confining the dear men? (7)
  - He needs pull in order to make progress? (5)
  - There's tennis player in the boat? (3)
  - A name in the world of fairy-tales? (5)
  - Mercury, maybe? (5)
  - See about some wine in France? (5)
- DOWN**
- He has his choice? (5)
  - Bird, mostly resembling a Wren? Without a tail? (7)
  - Where to make an entrance? (4)
  - It comes in ticks? (6)
  - An abbreviation, or an essay on a saint? (5)
  - Look golden and inferior? (5)



- STRAIGHTFORWARD CLUES**
- ACROSS**
- Shatter (5)
  - Palm director (5)
  - Punctual (5)
  - Mark (5)
  - Blat (5)
  - Ethical (5)
  - Hold (7)
  - Contract (5)
  - Unwell (3)
  - It's taught (6)
  - Curled the lip (6)
  - Smother (4)
  - Pet dog (4)
  - One more (7)
  - Cooked (6)
  - Rower (5)
  - Duck (5)
  - Inscribe (7)
  - Crow (5)
  - Fuss (7)
  - "Prisoner of plants" (5)
  - Faces (5)
  - Makes (5)
  - Suggest (6)
- DOWN**
- Era? (5)
  - Speccifying (5)
  - Satellite (4)
  - Climbed (6)
  - Aperures (5)
  - Trunk (5)
  - Vessel (5)
  - Finished (5)
  - Dry (5)
  - Flower (5)
  - Finished (4, 3)
  - Reason (5)
  - Discriminated (5)
  - Relate (7)
  - Wireless (5)
  - Purt (6)
  - Tilly? (3)
  - Wary (5)
  - Unwinnable (5)
  - Hillock (5)
  - Fool (4)
  - Machina? (3)
- Yesterday's Easy Solution**
- ACROSS** — 1. Tessa, 6. Berlin, 9. Bunting, 10. Sean, 11. Aglow, 12. Pains, 13. Stouter, 15. Hat, 17. Lira, 18. Biogay, 19. Ambus, 20. Guesst, 22. Side, 24. Err, 25. Scuttler, 26. Plumb, 27. Friar, 28. Sonny, 29. Replicas, 30. Sword, 31. Asset.
- DOWN** — 2. Stars, 3. Absent, 4. Sum, 5. Star, 6. Enamels, 7. Egg, 8. Isobar, 12. Fence, 15. Side, 16. Otter, 18. Bank, 19. Pyle, 19. Sect, 21. Aspread, 22. Crow, 23. Harrow, 25. Street, 26. Dent, 27. Scold, 28. Part, 29. Dosa.

# A concert to remember

ISRAELI PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA, with Kyril Kondrashin conducting, Alicia de Larrocha, piano. Brahms: "Tragic" Overture. Mozart: Piano Concerto No. 25 in C. K. 589. Prokofiev: Symphony No. 5, Op. 100.

ONCE AGAIN, Jerusalem was given the privilege of a first performance in an Israel Philharmonic Orchestra programme series — and it was a concert to remember. Both the conductor and the soloist were "from the top drawer," so to speak, and the result was music making of the highest order.

Even the "Tragic" Overture offered something extra. Not for a long time has any conductor here achieved that characteristic Brahmsian mezzoforte without dragging or dimming the context. This was big-boned conducting, and the orchestra responded to make the overture truly symphonic.

The measure of the maestro's style was even more fully shown in the symphony where one was able to hear a Prokofiev who had got far beyond his "Classical" first. The conductor's bold and subtle drive illuminated the many facets of it, keeping the strands taut without any sacrifice of excitement or sweep.

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There were heroic dimensions in the first movement, "marcato" whimsy in the second, seductive potency in the adagio (like the composer's "Romeo and Juliet"), and a finale full of bursts of light. It was, in all, a mastery interpretation in which the orchestra was a magnificent instrument.

In between came Mozart's concerto, played by Alicia de Larrocha with exquisite touch, flawless flexibility and elegant sensitiveness. Her pasty runs flowed to use a favourite phrase of Mozart's — "like oil."

The purity of tone had the highest polish. Clarity at speed was consummate. What was lacking was volume.

The piano was mostly within chamber music dimensions — but then, Mozart didn't create the work for a 3,000-seat hall, and throughout the piano sang at the pianist's will.

Throughout, too, the conductor kept the orchestral texture so geared to the soloist that nothing was lost, and the orchestra, when on its own, provided majestic moments.

In the works by Beethoven and Schumann, the pianist was sometimes too robust for the cello, but there could be two reasons for this: The Schumann was actually written for the clarinet, so possibly the cello register couldn't hold its own so well against the piano. Also, both in this and the Beethoven, the cellist seemed sometimes to have his bow so that pressure varied too much and the bow ended a phrase short of its full value. The performance was nevertheless animated and interesting.

One could be facetious about Noam Sheriff's "Confession for Cello Solo" and say it made bang-and-whimper progress, but it was really a serious work and was played with wisdom and skill. So, indeed, was the Paganini (though the harmonics were not always impeccable).

The piano part here was written as accompaniment, but from the cello emanated a showpiece, and in the playing something even reminiscent of the cellist Maurice Gendron himself, who transcribed the work for cello and obviously did a splendid job.

Emmanuel Gruber, cello. Emmanuel Kravosky, piano. (Israel Museum, June 9). Beethoven: Seven variations on a theme from "The Magic Flute." Schumann: Fantasia Siciliana Op. 78. Martinelli: Sonata No. 3 (1841). Noam Sheriff: "Confession" for Cello Solo (1977). Debussy: Variations for Cello and Piano. Paganini: Variations on One String on a Theme of Rossini.

THOUGH the two Emmannuels, both admirable musicians, chose a rather mixed programme, they did thereby show their wide range.

Their finest collaboration came in the most significant works — the Martinelli and Debussy sonatas. The Czech composer here produced a work of weight and worth, and the cellist grasped its solemnity and its dramatic strength, while the pianist was the complete partner.

The Debussy was given lighter treatment — quite rightly — and though its whimsies were not always realized, the performance was both spacious and volatile. Tonal quality was beautifully matched.

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## Deadlock in budget fight of Treasury v. local authorities

By ALAN ELSNER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The budgetary dispute between the Union of Local Authorities and the Treasury, which has been going on for several months, yesterday reached total deadlock, with both sides sniping at the other from entrenched positions. There is, according to a spokesman of the union, a "better than good possibility" that the municipalities will call a strike of municipal services after the union's general assembly next Thursday.

Pinhas Eylon, mayor of Holon and chairman of the union, had threatened to call a services strike within 24 hours, as was announced in most newspapers yesterday.

The *Jerusalem Post* has learned that the municipalities are almost unanimously in favour of the strike. The mayors of Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem all support the idea, while the Association of Development Towns is pushing hard for militant action.

Abraham Shohat, chairman of the association and mayor of Arad, told *The Post* yesterday that all the development towns supported stopping their services to the public. He said that many have not been able to pay the salaries of their workers for several months. Two weeks ago, the development towns decided to stop

paying their electricity, water, gas, telephone and postal bills. "We have received an extra IL25m. from the government since then, but this does almost nothing to alleviate our grave financial problems," he said. The municipalities claim that the Treasury is holding up their budgets and that money is not reaching them.

Last week the municipalities gave in to the wage demands of 50,000 city workers organized in the Clerks' Union. At that time the Treasury declared that this agreement was outside the national wage framework and that it would not allow the necessary money to pay for it to reach the municipalities.

Yesterday a Treasury spokesman told *The Post* that if the wage deal with the Clerks' Union went through, other unions, including the Civil Servants Union, would also demand increases of 15 per cent. "We are totally against it," the spokesman said. "We hope the services strike does not take place, but we do not intend to increase municipal budgets, no matter what happens."

At the moment, no attempts at mediation between the two sides are planned and a strike of some or all municipal services seems inevitable at the end of next week. Schools, day care centres and other educational institutions will be closed, while welfare services will cease.



BUSINESS ON A SHOESTRING — Student Michael Eikans demonstrates the puppets she and a friend make on Jerusalem's streets. Selling for IL100 they are bought by young and old. (Steve Nelson)

## Slow unloading raises cost of imported scrap iron

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A shipload of scrap iron imported from the U.S. by the Koor company's Steel City in Acre, is running up high costs in the port here, as a result of slow unloading. The scrap arrived on April 24 and unloading is still not completed and will continue for another week at least.

Port manager Moshe Haral told *The Jerusalem Post* that the importers must bear the full blame for the delay, "since they ignored our warnings not to use a ship we can't handle properly." Steel City general manager, Uri Bar-Ratson, on the other hand, rejected the attitude that "the customer is always wrong," and claimed that originally the port management had given him the green light for bringing in the scrap metal on board the 17,000 ton Cypriot freighter Astynax.

Bar-Ratson said the original freight bill for the 17,000 tons of scrap had totalled over \$500,000, one third of the price of the metal itself. The drawn-out unloading will reportedly add another \$300,000 to the bill. Nevertheless, Bar-Ratson stressed, "we shall still earn on the steel we'll make from the scrap."

Moshe Haral said that when the import deal was first broached, he had advised the importers to use a shallow-draught ship, so that she could berth alongside the port's big, 25-ton cranes, for quick unloading. Unfortunately his advice had been ignored, and the Astynax, which has

a deep draught, could be berthed only where the small, three-ton cranes could be used.

These three tons included the special grabs that had to be fitted to the cranes to handle the scrap, so that unloading was proceeding at the rate of only a few hundred tons daily in two shifts, Haral said. "We'd prefer not to have the job at all, because it's a waste of manpower, but we have to accommodate our customers," he added.

Bar-Ratson claimed that originally the port management had okayed the use of the big ship. Only after she had been chartered and set out on her way, had the management expressed reservations, and then it was too late. He believed that future shipments would be handled faster, after the port had gained experience and overcome technical difficulties.

Steel City now needs 115,000 tons of scrap annually to produce the building iron the country needs. Of this amount 30,000 tons of scrap were purchased in Israel, "but we must import the rest, until the government passes legislation for the obligatory sale to us of scrapped cars, which would help us eliminate expensive imports," he said.

He noted that hundreds of old cars were abandoned every year along the highways. But under the present law, scrap dealers were prevented from picking them up and bringing them to Acre for recycling into steel.

Suitable legislation would save the country millions of dollars a year, he said.

## Heavy oils and oil sands may eventually ease oil shortage

EDMONTON (AP). — Seven working days and more than 100 scientific papers after it started, the First World Conference on Heavy Oils and Oil Sands ended yesterday with no clear decision on whether the world's energy salvation lies in those once-unwanted resources.

Throughout the UN conference, representatives from 44 countries debated whether the resources can be developed fast enough to meet growing global shortages of conventional light oil.

Complex and costly solutions were outlined for the problems of extracting and refining the sluggish, mineral-laden heavy oil and the immobile, even-heavier oil that lies in oil sands.

Left unanswered was the question of whether the international community can muster the will, money and manpower needed for large-scale development of the vast resources, which total in the trillions of barrels and appear in more than 60 countries.

The 30 delegates, conference organizers admitted, could not agree on a precise scientific definition of where light oil stops and heavy oil begins.

Conference spokesmen said they had made significant progress in their campaign to draw the attention of government and industry to heavy oil, a resource usually shunned in the past by companies seeking smooth-flowing, easily-refinable light oil.

Just collecting so much expert information in one place, they said, marks a major advance in heavy oil research.

"This first international conference will enter history as the beginning of the heavy crude and tar sands period," said Joseph Barnea of the UN Institute for Training and Research.

Barnea, principal organizer of the conference, said a crash programme of developing oil sands production could eliminate world oil shortages in 10 to 20 years.

Others said development would be slowed by technological inefficiencies and huge costs — \$4b. for one oil sands plant, \$1b. for one heavy oil upgrading plant.

The alternative, however, was starkly described by Royal Bank of Canada forecasters, who said oil costs in 15 years would be about four times higher than current prices.

One policy statement that won general consent noted that environmental regulations have often blocked heavy oil projects.

# PEOPLE & PROFITS

By YITZCHAK AVNI, the recently deposited head of the Israel Government Coins and Medals Corporation, who was found guilty of backdating an order so that a dealer could get a discount, has been appointed representative for the American businessman Victor Carter. Baruch Barak, who held this post for a number of years, has resigned to assume the position of Economic Counsellor at the Israel embassy in Canada.

THE BANKER, a leading British journal, has published the latest rankings of the 300 largest banks in the Western world. Bank Hapoalim made the biggest stride forward, as it advanced 11 places, from 122nd to 111th in size. Bank Leumi rose four places, from the 102 spot to 88. The IDB group lost one rung and is placed in the 183rd spot.

BANK HAPOALIM and Bank Leumi are participating in the normalisation process between Israel and Egypt by opening a jointly run branch in El-Arish. This will be the first bank which is not part of the military government and is located close to the new Egyptian-Israeli border. The branch will be managed alternatively by Bank Hapoalim and Bank Leumi staff. In the initial stages the bank will be open during

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN  
Post Finance Reporter

periods when border crossings take place. Subsequently it will be open on a regular basis, with each bank running the branch for one week at a time. The location of the bank is in the customs house and the branch will specialize in foreign exchange and customs transactions.

VISA INTERNATIONAL, the credit card company, has announced that with the recent teaming up of Bank Hapoalim with the three existing Visa issuers, Bank Leumi, Discount and Union Bank, Visa is now represented by over 90 per cent of the country's total banking assets.

ORIGINALIA INC., 55 per cent owned by Drel Petroleum, daughter company of the Israeli Jordan Exploration Company, has embarked on the purchase of some 20 oil and gas producing wells in Northern Texas.

UNITED MERRAHI BANK revealed yesterday that it has entered into an agreement with Clal Israel and Israel Investors to purchase 7.8m. IL10 shares of Bank Tefahot at a price of IL4.48 a share, linked to the U.S. dollar as of March 9, 1979. The agreement is dependent on the transfer of the government's shares

in the mortgage bank to the Reichmann brothers of Canada. Draft agreements, involving all sides of the deal, are now ready for ratification. Clal Israel has notified the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange that its holdings in Tefahot are 4.55m. IL10 shares.

ELTEC of Petah Tikvah, a subsidiary of Haifa-based Elbit, has been granted the title of Outstanding Exporter. Eltec in 1978 achieved exports of more than \$1m., as compared with \$540,000 in 1977. As a result of a capital spending programme of IL5m. Eltec is about to open a new plant.

AMOS MANOR, board chairman of Asala, has advised that rumours that the firm is negotiating the sale of its property in Ramat Gan, are incorrect. He pointed out that currently the company is studying ways of utilizing the land profitably.

WHILE ON THE subject of land, Dev Tadmor, managing director, Property and Building, continues to deny that his company is about to purchase the Ramat Gan Margalith Orchard. Amissar was supposed to have bought the property in what was to be the largest real estate deal in the history of Israel, but was unable to raise the necessary funds to exercise the option it held on the property.

## U.S. trade exhibit here next week

By YITZCHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The biggest-ever U.S. exhibition here will open next week at the Israel Trade Fair Center as part of the Technology '79 exhibition.

At a press conference held yesterday by the Israel-America Chamber of Commerce, William R. Vitous, the director of the U.S. exhibition, said that there will be a total of 121 exhibitions.

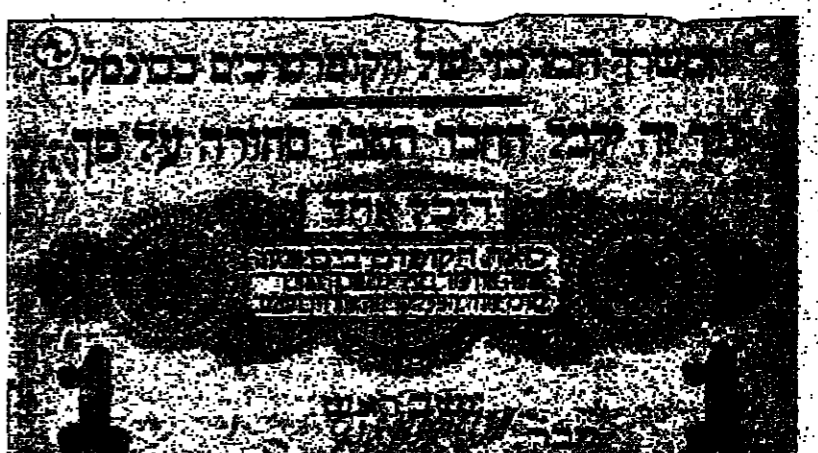
Vitous, who organized similar exhibitions here in 1964 and 1966, said that in his view the outstanding change is the great number of American companies represented here today.

Carolyn R. Creators, of the International Trade and Industry Administration at the U.S. Department of Commerce, said that among the unusual products to be shown at the exhibition will be a new waste disposal system produced by General Environmental Science Corp. of Cleveland.

The system is called Liquid Live Micro-Organism (Limo, for short) and can be used by city sewage lagoons, septic systems, holding tanks in boats, planes, and trains.

President Jimmy Carter and Commerce Secretary Juanita Kreps, have both sent greetings on the opening of the exhibition.

## COINS AND MEDALS



By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A numismatic find in the form of a rare Russian banknote with Hebrew text issued in the 1917-1922 period has been announced by an American numismatic firm. The note was issued by the "Central Office of the Minsk Cooperatives" and it bears on its face the legend: "Against this the bearer is entitled to receive goods in the value of one ruble."

It is reported that the note has a value of about \$300. What makes this particular note unusual is the fact that it is in modern Hebrew, rather than in Yiddish. Russian local notes were not uncommon, but they were always printed in Yiddish.

The note is printed in black on a pink background and the signatures are in black. According to the Denis catalogue, the authoritative work on Russian local issue notes in a non-Russian language, the Central Bureau of Cooperatives issued the Hebrew text notes in times of shortages of government notes. They came in denominations of 50 kopeks, 1 ruble, 3 rubles and 5 rubles.

During my recent trip to Europe I

had the opportunity to look into the trading activity of Israeli numismatic coins. Currently there is little demand for these items, but at one major Swiss bank it was pointed out that market conditions for Israeli coins more or less parallel those of other gold coins.

The market has been generally characterized as a buyers' market. In contrast to the gold coins market, the Swiss banking sources pointed out that demand for ancient coins is relatively strong and that these are generally considered as an investment vehicle.

It has come to my attention that the owner of a local coin collection, roughly valued at \$75,000, is encountering difficulties in finding a buyer at a reasonable price.

On the other hand the recently struck Peace Medal, commemorating the Peace Agreement between Israel and Egypt, is extremely well received by collectors in the U.S.

In the final analysis Israeli numismatic items should now generally be placed in the collector category or they should be bought just for their sentimental value, but certainly not as an investment.

## All the answers for Israelis abroad

A guide to security for Israelis abroad, whose title translates (roughly) "Be Prepared" is being distributed by the Government Information Centre's publications service to Israelis leaving the country for summer holidays.

The booklet is available at offices of El Al, foreign airlines operating in the country and travel agents.

This is the fifth year the book has been distributed. With it goes another pocket publication, "Israel in Figures," which provides up-to-date information about the state. Another handy aid to the Israeli by now not-so-innocent abroad, called "Know the Answer," dealing with aspects of Israeli policy after the signing of the peace treaty with Egypt, is expected to make up a sort of pocket trinity for the traveller before the summer is out.

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Lectures will be in English.

The symposium will be held on Thursday, June 21, 1979 at 8 p.m., Kaplan Hall, Law Faculty building.

MUNICIPALITY OF HAIFA  
OPERATIONS DIVISION  
SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT

Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that the date for submission of the following tenders is postponed till June 26, 1979 at 12 noon:

- No. 124/B — 4/18F/78 (in the framework of the Israel Sewerage Project) supply and erection of electro-mechanical equipment for the "Dolphin" Pumping Station.
- No. 125/B — 4/18F/78 (in the framework of the Israel Sewerage Project) laying of force main from "Dolphin" Pumping Station to the collector on Hamagim Av. in Haifa.

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Shares run out of steam while bonds rise

Stocks & bonds—the market report

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
First Finance Reporter

Mortgage was unchanged and Tefabot (b) was sharply hit by profit-taking that brought shares down by no less than 6.5 per cent to 373. The Tefabot registered shares fell by nearly the same figure to 366. On the other hand, Carmel (b) gained 23 points to 370. However, the Carmel options plummeted by more than eight per cent to 73.5. Ampal was established as "buyers only" and its shares were fixed five per cent higher at 585.

Lighterage IL5 shares lost 21.5 points to 323. Land development and real estate shares were mixed. Azorim gained five to 533 while ILDC (r) was gaining one. Property and Building was hit by a wave of profit taking after the recent sharp run up. The shares were down by 11 points to 432. Much harder hit were the shares of Solel Boneh as they fell 61 points to 939, reflecting a loss of 6.1 per cent.

Industrials also reflected the mixed price trend. ATA "B" was "sellers only" and Elbit lost 15 to 498. Dubek (b) gained 34 to 222. Haifa Chemicals was down by four per cent to 170. Petrochemicals were down by 7.7 per cent to 108. Taal (r) gained 32 to 540 while the bearer shares gained 25 to 538.

Investment company equities were not to be outdone and they also were mixed. Elitran (b) was strong and put on 40 points to 685. Amislar lost 12 to 251. Export Investment eased by 15 to 785. Clal Real Estate was down by 5.4 per cent. Clal Investments eased by six points while Clal Industries lost a similar amount to 585. Pama was down by more than six per cent to 320.

The share market apparently seemed to be running out of steam yesterday though trading activity continued to run at a high level, as before the IL120m. changed hands. Commercial banking shares continued to advance, though Bank Leumi shares usurped the leadership from Bank Hapoalim. Leumi shares rose by three points.

The index-linked bond market continued its upward, if unspectacular, advance. On Friday the index for the month of May will be officially announced. The management of the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange has decided to delay the opening of trading in bonds on Sunday to allow the investment public to place orders.

The pound continued to be devalued, though the pace was considerably slower than at the beginning of the week. Yesterday the pound lost seven agorot against the dollar.

The slowdown in the advance of the shares was felt even in the banking sector. Mizrahi and Union Bank traded unchanged. IDB, Hapoalim, General Bank and FIBI all gained one point apiece.

Mortgage banks, which have been a good feature in the past week, were only able to manage a mixed performance. General

Closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

June 13, 1979

Table with columns: Commercial Banks & Banking Holding Co's, O.R.H. r, O.R.H. pref, I.D.B. pref, I.D.B. r, I.D.B. pref "A", I.D.B. opt. 4, I.D.B. opt. 5, I.D.B. opt. 6, Union, Union opt. 3, Union opt. 4, Union 15% s.c., Union 15% s.c. 5, Discount, Discount "A" 5% s.c., Mirabai r, Mirabai b, Mirabai opt. 1, Mirabai opt. 2, Mirabai opt. 3, Mirabai opt. 4, Mirabai 15% s.c. 1, Mirabai 15% s.c. 2, Mirabai 15% s.c. 3, Mirabai 15% s.c. 4, Mirabai 15% s.c. 5, Mirabai 15% s.c. 6, Mirabai 15% s.c. 7, Hapoalim pref, Hapoalim r, Hapoalim b, Hapoalim opt. 2, Hapoalim opt. 3, Hapoalim opt. 4, Hapoalim opt. 5, Hapoalim opt. 6, Hapoalim opt. 7, Hapoalim 15% s.c. 1, Hapoalim 15% s.c. 2, Hapoalim 15% s.c. 3, Hapoalim 15% s.c. 4, Hapoalim 15% s.c. 5, Hapoalim 15% s.c. 6, Hapoalim 15% s.c. 7, General, General 15% s.c. 1, General 15% s.c. 2, General 15% s.c. 3, General 15% s.c. 4, Leumi, Leumi opt. 1, Leumi opt. 2, Leumi opt. 3, Leumi opt. 4, Leumi 7% s.c. 5 opt.1, Leumi 15% s.c. 1, Leumi 15% s.c. 2, Leumi 15% s.c. 3, International 9% s.c.1, International 9% s.c.2, International 9% s.c.3, Gen'l Mtg. r, Gen'l Mtg. b, Gen'l Mtg. opt. 124, Gen'l Mtg. opt. 127, Gen'l Mtg. 15% deb. 118, Carmel r, Carmel b, Carmel + opt. "A", Carmel 15% deb. 10, Dev. & Mtg. r, Dev. & Mtg. b, Dev. & Mtg. opt. 28, Dev. & Mtg. opt. 29, Dev. & Mtg. 15% deb. 98, Dev. & Mtg. 15% deb. 97, Dev. & Mtg. 15% deb. 94, Housing Mtg. r, Housing Mtg. b

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TAXING THE RICH

The Post's DAVID KRIVINE warns that if the proposal to increase the marginal tax is implemented it could lead to a reduction in productivity — and a reduction in revenue for the Treasury.

LABOUR MINISTER Israel Katz wants the marginal tax on incomes of over IL\$10,000 a month to be increased from the present rate of 80 per cent to 75 per cent.



Israel Katz

He gives two reasons: to equalize the tax burden, and to prevent "privileged elements from living in luxury, sometimes even by American standards, when the weak and vulnerable classes of society are charged a kind of 'inflation tax' through cuts in the social services and other burdens imposed on them."

It is bad that the rich should live in fantastic luxury while the poor take cuts in their living standards. But raising the marginal rate of income tax to 75 per cent will not solve that problem.

elements of society who suffer from inflation either. His tax proposal is unhelpful for another reason: It expresses a desire for revenge.

What offends is Katz's arbitrary division between rich and poor, as if they were two different animal species. The rigid stratification of society (that Hudson, the butler, treats with such craven respect in "Upstairs, Downstairs") is a thing of the past.

Why should they not visualize themselves, or at least their children, as potential big-money earners?

Sharon on the rampage

ISRAELI TV viewers have long since grasped the fact that the Knesset chamber is not exactly a model of parliamentary decorum.

It is more than regrettable that MKs over the years have felt it impossible to refrain from descending to the level of the gutter in what passes for debate on emotional issues.

But yesterday's shameful performance in the House probably surpassed anything of the like that has ever transpired before.

Commentators on the Israel scene, both foreigners and natives, are unanimous concerning the high level of aggression to be found in all walks of Israeli life.

Anyone with even a passing acquaintance with Knesset Members knows that many legislators would be the first to be profoundly appalled at the comportment of a number of their colleagues.

There was no single offender in yesterday's parliamentary descent to scurrilous verbal mayhem. But there is no doubt that Minister of Agriculture Ariel Sharon was primarily responsible for provoking the other members.

He was guilty of obvious racism in his references to TV reporter Rafiq Halaby and Shal's MK Zeidan Atshe who are both Druse.

He deliberately sought to involve the entire House in a personal free-for-all by referring to the leader of the Opposition as a man who had not served one day in the army.

Mr. Peres' record in the defence of Israel is well known. Sharon, however, should have remembered that his own prime minister never served one day in the army either, nor a minute on the battle line, although his role in the creation of Israel is no less well known.

Conducting political debate at such a scurrilous level of personal attack is a sure way of undermining whatever remains of the effectiveness of Israel's parliamentary practice.

Sharon is intent on pushing rapid Israeli settlement in the territories. He is thus espousing a debatable but legitimate point of view in Israel's convoluted political spectrum.

Mr. Begin may be deluded into believing that he has a political asset in a man of this nature. If he does, he is badly mistaken. Sharon should be leashed on a tight rein rather than given carte blanche to run roughshod over Israel.

Exports first

IT IS SAID that Israel exports more per capita than any other country. Even that is still only a beginning.

Not only must the country pay for the mountains of goods it imports, there are two other problems to be faced. The nation's foreign debt is rapidly growing by billions of dollars and servicing it requires foreign currency.

Secondly, Israel is dependent on the import of raw materials. Output went up last year by 6 per cent, and is expected to go up by a similar amount this year.

If we manage to fulfill the Treasury's latest five-year plan, exports will increase over the period 1978-83 by \$3b. — yet imports (excluding armaments) are due to swell by the same amount.

Under the circumstances it would be gratifying if performance could outstrip expectations. There are two man-made obstacles to that. One is the desire of some of our political leaders to hold the exchange-rate in check, so as to keep domestic prices down.

Export incentives were abolished formally by the Likud Government. Instead they offer a free-floating exchange-rate. Incentives are not practicable any more. It is no longer feasible to subsidize a section of the economy which accounts for more than half the gross national product.

Therefore it is essential to let the exchange-rate find its true level, to permit the continued growth of Israel's exports. The expansion of these exports over the last three decades, including the period since 1973, when overall growth has been negligible, constitutes the finest success of the country's economic policy.

The second danger is the decision by Minister of Industry Gideon Pitt to restrain imports in order to protect local industry from excessive competition. He cannot augment customs to accomplish the same purpose, because Israel has a tariff-cutting agreement with the Common Market.

So he proposes to interfere with imports indirectly, by preventing the purchase of what he calls "cheap rubbish," by concentrating the business in the hands of "licensed importers," and even by halting imports from countries that do not buy Israel's exports.

This policy will do damage to Israel's balance of payments, by making imports costlier than they need be. Our industry does not need protecting. Its job is to sell in foreign markets. If a foreign country makes a product cheaper than we can, better to import it.

READERS' LETTERS

THE ARLOSOROFF AFFAIR

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I read with great interest your interview of May 18 with Dr. Dov Joseph on the occasion of his 50th birthday.

I am referring to the murder of Arlosoroff and the ensuing trial on a false charge. Dov Joseph was one of the central figures in the affair. As the lawyer of Mapai and a person who was of great assistance to the prosecution, he certainly knew and still remembers how the trial was conducted against the three "accused" Revisionists, one of which was my late father.

Dr. Joseph is the only one still alive — and may be live till 120! — who can, I believe, reveal the secrets of this trial. Yet this is one thing he does not want to talk about. In 1968, when the historian, Professor Yosef Nedava, asked for an appointment with him to discuss the subject, he answered: "I did not know Dr. Ahiméir personally, and I prefer not to talk about the Arlosoroff trial and therefore I see no reason for a meeting to discuss the subject."

Since then, another 13 years have passed and there are less and less surviving witnesses. I appeal to Dov Joseph to break his silence about the Arlosoroff affair and reveal all he knows in order to clear the air and remove any lingering shadow of a doubt about the true murderers. The time has come to display civic courage.

JOSEF AHIMEIR Ramat Gan.

Dr. Dov Joseph replies: Mr. Yosef Ahiméir complains that the interview with me to which he refers did not deal with the Arlosoroff trial. This was obviously because the purpose of the interview was to question me about the situation in the state now as compared with that in its early years, when I served as a member of the Knesset.

Mr. Ahiméir incorrectly states that I was the lawyer of the Mapai. In fact I represented only Dr. Arlosoroff's widow, who was the civil claimant in the case. Mapai had no locus standi whatever in the trial.

Mr. Ahiméir gives no evidence to support his groundless allegation that the trial was "on a false charge." The trial was conducted by the Court of Criminal Justice presided over by Mr. Justice O.C.K. Corrie, who enjoyed the reputation of a meticulously careful and eminently fair judge.

BEAUTIFUL UNIVERSITIES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The tourist who visits Israeli universities is in for a delightful surprise. In other lands, colleges and universities have usually grown haphazardly; almost always, they present a hodge-podge of architectures and a confusion of styles.

Israeli planners and architects have been granted the unique opportunity of locating, planning and creating an entire university, of starting from scratch on their drawing boards. A visit to Haifa, Jerusalem or Tel Aviv, to name but a few places, will show how imaginatively and thoughtfully the planners and architects of our universities have used their opportunities.

Israeli universities are a delight to behold. Their buildings blend into a harmonious, comprehensive entity. Each edifice stands in dignity, surrounded by gracious, sweeping lawns, bordered by beds of colourful flowers.

Many different from the colleges and universities of my own city of New York! The bustling, grimy city hems in its scholastic centres. Even the wealthiest and most prestigious are caught between busy streets and traffic arteries.

Many young Israelis are unconscious of their advantage. IADORA RUBIN Netanya (Brooklyn, N.Y.).

SINGLES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — With the introduction to Tel Aviv in the past several years of clubs for singles, a new phenomenon has appeared — restrictive clubs. Some of the restrictions are vague and ill defined. One that is clearly defined is the age restriction.

I am talking specifically about a cut-off age of 35 or 40. People often have friends with an age differential of 10 or more years. How can you tell someone that he cannot enter a club where his friends may be, because he is too old?

I believe that age grouping should be achieved in a natural manner. A person will not repeatedly return to a group where he or she is not accepted — provided there is a suitable alternative available. ALEX LAEYS Tel Aviv.

SMOKING ON BUSES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I would like to help Mrs. M. Harris (Mazra 20) in her drive to stop the flagrant violation of non-smoking laws on our buses.

According to regulations 42 and 47 of the Transportation Regulations of 1961, the driver, ticket collector and any other worker on a bus may not smoke or carry a lighted cigarette on a bus. Passengers may not smoke on city buses and only may smoke at the rear of inter-urban buses, as indicated by a sign.

Letters to the Ministry of Health or the police will not help. However, a written complaint to the Ministry of Transportation will receive attention when the name and number of a smoking bus driver are given. From my own experience of making such a complaint, a court case is being prepared against the bus driver. Unfortunately, the case is already a year in the making, but in the end, I hope the driver will not smoke again while driving.

The more people take the trouble to make the effort to punish those who violate the law, the better will the quality of life be on the buses. G.K. (Name and address supplied.) Haifa.

SMOKING ON THE JOB

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I would like to know why eating places and food stores in Israel permit their employees to smoke on the job while preparing and serving food.

It is about time that we get some action by the Ministry of Health and by those who supervise kashrut to prohibit this disgusting practice. IRWIN WEINTRAUB BeerSheva.

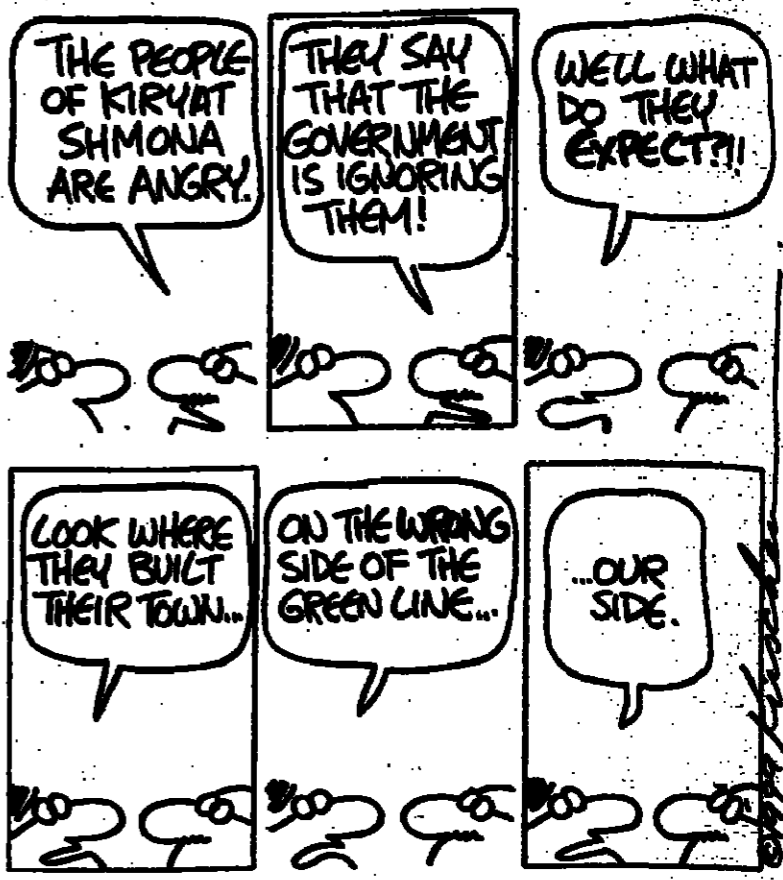
ISRAEL'S MIRACLE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — It is impossible to discover the Israeli point of view with the most careful perusal of our local and national press, or by listening to the media. One is left with the idea that all the odds are in favour of Israel, and that the poor Arabs don't stand a chance unless other strong powers come to their aid.

However, reading The Jerusalem Post gives the other side — and so fairly and humanely, and without the usual sensational headlines. And one is left wondering how little Israel has held out so long with most of the world clamouring for its destruction, or at best, chiding it for its refusal to give up its meager defensible borders.

Is it not because Israel does indeed hold the trump card? Is not our God the God of Israel? ANITA LANG Kankakee, Illinois.

Dry Bones



THE PEOPLE OF KIRYAT SHMONA ARE ANGRY!

THEY SAY THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS IGNORING THEM!

WELL WHAT DO THEY EXPECT?!

LOOK WHERE THEY BUILT THEIR TOWN...

ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE GREEN LINE...

...OUR SIDE.

competitive system. Wages tend to be inflexible; they are difficult to raise and almost impossible (in these days of trade union solidarity) to lower.

When prices go down, wages do not go down as much, and profits shrink. We saw all this happen during the mid-70s, or recession, of 1968. Too many goods were, for a change, chasing too little money.

When prices go up, wages unfortunately lag, but profits are easy to make. The self-employed started working much harder to earn much less.

This is a very desirable outcome. The way to cut profits is not to pump wads of cash into the capitalist's pocket and then try to pump it out again through a confiscatory tax system. Anybody can testify that

that does not work. The way to cut profits is to make them hard to get, by reducing the amount of money in circulation.

He can take consolation from the fact that if government expenditure is really cut to the bone and inflation eliminated, the proportion of the national income going to the profiteers will diminish sharply, leaving (in the final reckoning) more funds for workers' wages, industrial investment — and the social services, too.

UNFORTUNATE ROUTE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I'm a foreign correspondent in Israel and I accompanied my visiting editor to see the Chagall windows in Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital.

Our tour was not an exciting experience. On our visit, the only entrance to the synagogue was via the hospital wards; this was undoubtedly an inconvenience to the personnel and patients, who were forced to detour around our group and had to endure typical touristic noise generated by nearly 80 visitors.

We were shocked to see women being wheeled to and from the delivery room. This shows a lack of consideration for the dignity of the patients.

When we asked our very nice guide why we had gone through the hospital and not directly to the synagogue, she explained that a lack of personnel necessitated this most unfortunate route.

The magnificence of the Chagall windows deserves a better introduction. And the patients, more respect. ALESSANDRO POERO "Teja" magazine, Brazil Tel Aviv.

DO-IT-YOURSELF CONGREGATION

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — We found Judy Siegel's article, "Do-it-yourself congregation" (May 31) both interesting and encouraging.

We in Kiryat Sharett, Holon, are attempting something very similar. Our Young People's Congregation includes Sephardim, Ashkenazim and Yemenites, Sabras, new immigrants and penitents. We all pray together in harmony and the mode of prayer is similar to that used in the Shul Akiva and the army. We have over 30 members, not including wives and children.

We are in the process of collecting money so as to enable us to build our own permanent synagogue, which will serve not only as a house of prayer but also as a study centre and meeting place for our growing congregation. In our own small way we are helping to unite the people of Israel.

DAVE BARBOON On behalf of the Kiryat Sharett Young People's Congregation Holon.

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